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AMERICA WARNS JAPAN AGAINST INVADING FRENCH INDO-CHINA

U.S. STANDS PAT ON REFUSAL TO GIVE UP SECTORS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 4 (UP).—THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO-DAY PUBLICLY NOTIFIED JAPAN THAT AMERICA IS CLOSELY WATCHING EVERY JAPANESE MOVE WHICH MIGHT AFFECT INDO-CHINA OR THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, also revealed that the United States is standing pat on her refusal to permit the Japanese to take over all the Shanghai defence sectors.

He said that the conference in Shanghai was still being continued, but that no agreement had been reached.

EFFECT ON PUBLIC OPINION

Regarding Indo-China, Mr. Cordell Hull said that the situation there was a "matter to which the United States attaches importance."

He added, however, that as yet the United States had not received confirmation of the report that the Japanese had delivered an ultimatum to the Indo-China Government.

He declared that the State Department was "reluctant to give evidence to the report, but should events prove them to be well founded, the effect on public opinion in the United States would be unfortunate."

Vichy Denial

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—VICHY, Sept. 4 (UP).—The Vichy Government today publicly denied official denial to the report that the French-Japanese negotiations principally concerning Indo-China have been interrupted.

On the contrary, the conversations are continuing for the purpose of reaching an agreement in establishing mutual interests in the Far East.

HITLER ADMITS "LONG WAR"

The Nazi Fuehrer In Apologetic Mood

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Britain owed her escape from the fate which had overtaken other opponents of Germany to the exceptional speed of her withdrawal and her fortunate geographical position, said Hitler to-day in a speech inaugurating the Winter Help Campaign.

"The vast territory now dominated by German troops has been still further extended by the Italians who have taken the initiative in East Africa," he continued.

"British propaganda goes from the height to the depth and then to even greater height. Thus England wins numerous so-called victories like Dunkirk, which in our eyes was their most complete failure."

Referring to the "proud conflict in the west," in which "the Allies had to bear nothing but defeats," Hitler said: "Now France, too, is broken like the others. What do they say to that?"

"They say that now at last England can concentrate all her forces, now England has attained the strategic position for which she has wished and hoped, and that the battle of France had only cost valuable British blood."

Five Year War?

"Once they said the war will last three years. We will prepare ourselves for three years, but at that time I said TURN to Page 2, Column Three

BRITISH GUNS GO INTO ACTION

Special to the "Telegraph"

AT A SOUTHEAST COAST TOWN, Sept. 4 (UP).—British long-range guns went into action across the Channel this afternoon, sending over several heavy shells which were followed a minute later by severe counter-shells from the Calais area.

According to a "Domei" report, the bombardment lasted for two hours late in the night.

As the terrific explosions shook the English side of the Channel, the flashes of bursting shells and flares could be seen lighting up the coast line in the region of Calais and Boulogne.

Shelling of the French coast by long-range guns coincided with fierce attacks by the R.A.F. on advanced Nazi air bases, principally in the Calais region.

(Domei and United Press Messages.)

Death Of Old China Soldier

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Brigadier General William Milward Watson, one of the officers who started the new "Chinese Regiment" in Weihaiwei in 1900.

He commanded this regiment in the relief of Tientsin in 1900. He was the first Regular Army officer to command the Shanghai Volunteers.

STOCK EXCHANGE

FAVOURABLY INFLUENCED BY U.S. NEWS

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was favourably influenced by news of the transfer of 50 United States destroyers to Britain. Hence market activity increased with advancing prices.

All sections were affected but industrials and oils were most notably favoured.

Wall Street was narrowly irregular.

FREE FRENCHMEN RALLY TO THE ALLIES



They Won't Surrender

WITH THE first shock of the shameful betrayal by their leaders over, more and more Frenchmen are rallying to the Allied cause, determined to re-gain for their Motherland the freedom and honour surrendered to Hitler by Petain. Two of these photographs were taken in London, show Free Frenchmen—soldiers and sailors—marching through the streets. The other photograph is of a French battleship which, manned by French officers and crew, is now serving with the British Navy.

BARRAGE BEATS NAZI PLANES: 41 MORE DOWN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Continued German attempts to break down Britain's aerial defences yesterday not only failed, but cost the invaders 41 planes, say "United Press" reports from London.

Up to 3.45 p.m. yesterday the Nazis had lost 41 machines to British fighters, while only five defending planes were brought down.

The London area had several warnings, the second following the approach of planes at such a height that they were invisible from the ground and only the faint sounds of machine-gun fire and cannonading could be heard.

A fierce anti-aircraft barrage over the Thames Estuary was the first indication that German planes were in the vicinity.

The barrage came round in a great circle over a town on the north bank of the Estuary, then inland and then back again towards the river.

No bombs were dropped in the Estuary area.

During a short but sharp battle over a south-east coast town five German machines were brought down.

Two crashed into the sea and three inland. The German force appeared to TURN to Page 2, Column Four

—As R.A.F. Continues Mass Raids On Reich

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Sept. 4 (UP).—The Royal Air Force made extensive and intensive raids both over Germany and France to-day.

Twenty R.A.F. bombers attacked military objectives concealed in German forests in the Harz mountains and in the Gruenwald forests, north of Berlin.

Many fires were started which later caused explosions.

Other aircraft carried out reconnaissance flights over an area of the Black Forest east of Baden-Baden, where fires had been started by our bombers the previous night, and were found still to be blazing.

Other forces of R.A.F. bombers attacked electric power stations, lighting installations and an armament factory near Berlin.

The Mark aerodrome at Calais was attacked first at 12.15 and then at 1 a.m. Another raid bombed the airfield at Guines, southeast of Calais.

Further inland, two raiders bombed the Abbeville airport and R.A.F. bombers made a series of attacks and counter-attacks on the advanced striking bases of the German air force in the Pas de Calais area.

Le Touquet Bombed

The day's operations over France opened with an attack by several bombers on the Le Touquet aerodrome where high explosives were dropped on the landing field.

Later our aircraft maintained the attack and the pilot of one machine saw six separate fires at the aerodrome.

Another squadron bombed the San Tomer aerodrome and scored hits on the landing field which were followed by explosions.

LOAN RUMOUR DENIED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (UP).—Mr. Warren Piersen, President of the Export-Import Bank, today declared that he had no knowledge of a loan reported to have been made through the efforts of Mr. T. V. Soong.

Other departments of the bank also admitted ignorance.

LATEST

HITLER'S HATRED

Forces Vichy To End Relations with Dutch

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—It is officially announced in London that from to-morrow diplomatic relations between the Netherlands and France will be suspended.

A few weeks ago the Government informed the Netherlands Minister at Vichy that they were compelled to take steps to this effect.

Subsequently, the Netherlands Government were informed that diplomatic relations would come to an end on September 6.

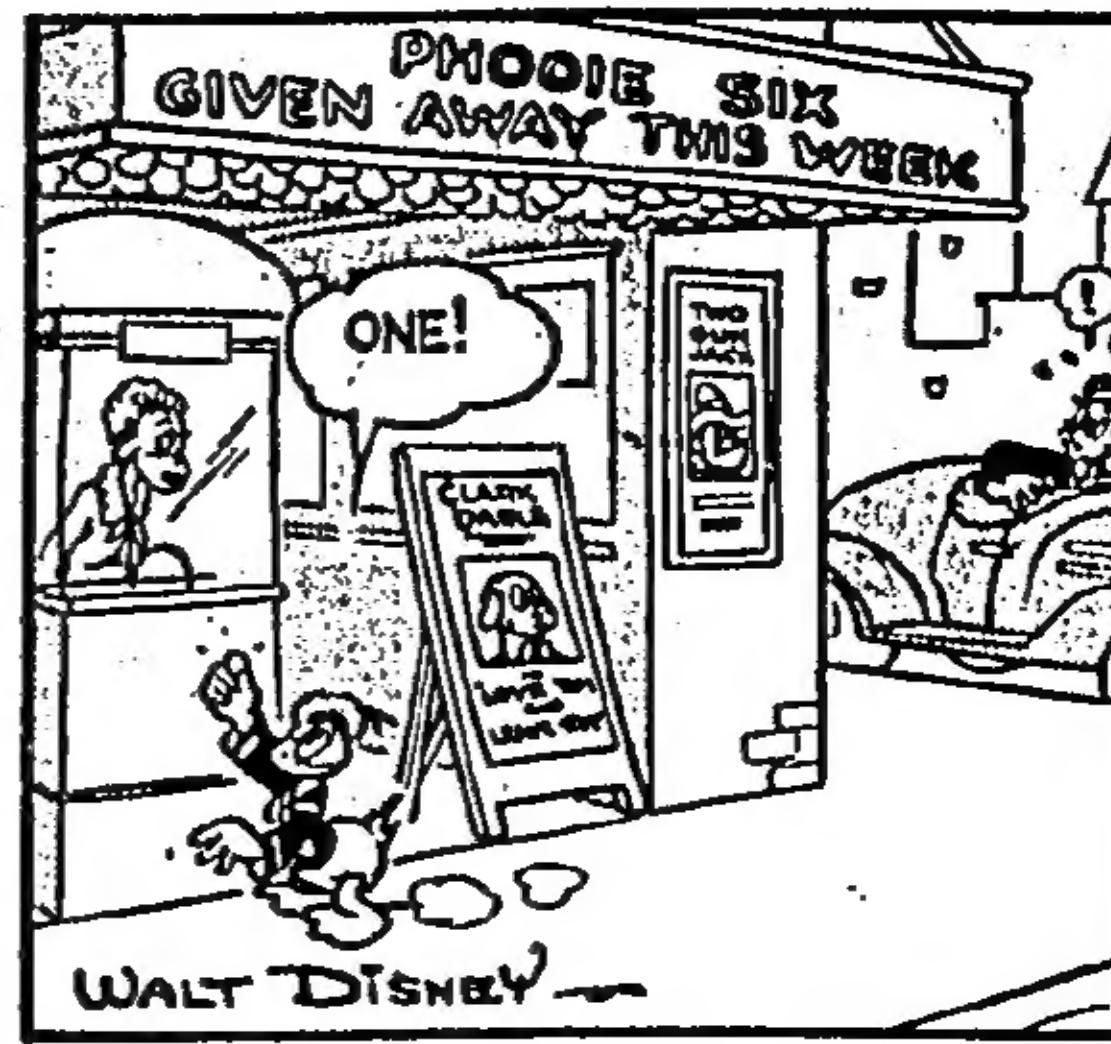
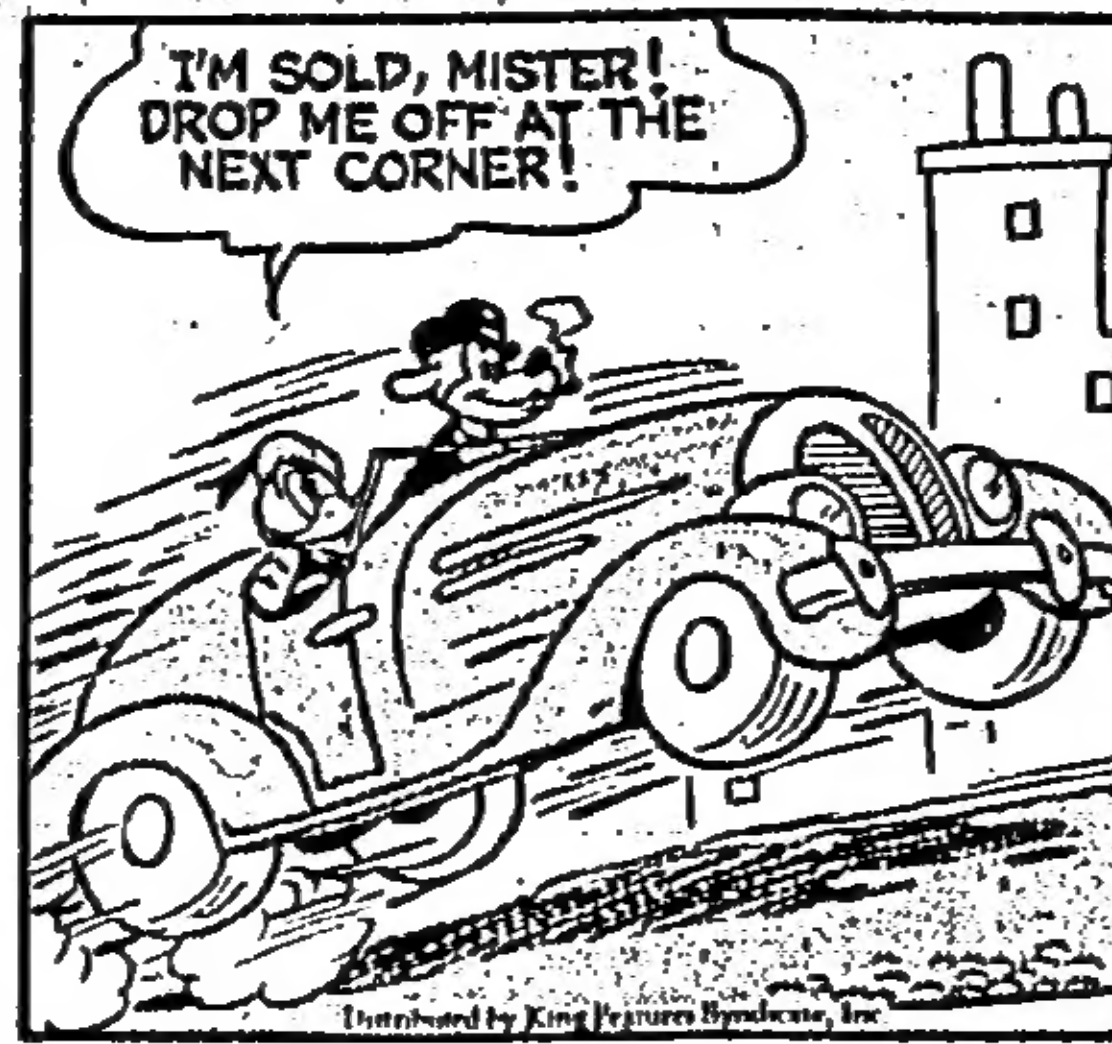
The decision of the Petain Government to break relations with Holland is regretted in authoritative Dutch circles.

It is pointed out that relations with France have remained courteous and friendly since the Franco-German armistice and it is felt that the Petain Government is acting only under strong German pressure.

It is suggested that the presence of the Netherlands Legation, enjoying the usual diplomatic privileges and especially freedom to inform their Government by confidential means of the situation in France, could evidently no longer be tolerated.

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DONALD DUCK



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BELGIUM by-the-Thames

BY DUDLEY BARKER

IN one room of this London suburban house at Richmond a man, stripped to the waist, is busily hanging cheerful, if rather yellow, wallpaper on the walls.

On the patch of grass outside another man is repairing a bicycle, Continental style, that has already experienced war.

A fair-haired baby girl staggers about between them, chirping happily, colliding now and then with their legs. Through the open door a woman calls, "Manger!"

The Belgian refugees, whom we have almost forgotten, are gradually settling down.

Settling Down

About 250 of them came to Richmond, including some who were originally billeted in other places which later became protected areas. Their experiences have been fairly typical of what happened to all the refugees, so let me tell you how they are getting on at Richmond.

The organisers decided, wisely against any billeting on private families. Instead they took over nearly 20 empty, unfurnished houses in the district, and each became a small Belgian colony.

They appealed to the Richmond people for furniture, and they got stocks of it. They appealed for clothes for the refugees, and they got so many that they opened a clothing depot at which they could all be fitted out.

They did not have to develop a spirit of neighbourliness. It was there from the first.

Baths For Eight

One English housewife, for instance, saw a party of eight small Belgian children arrive, weary, frightened and extremely grubby. She at once left what she was doing, took all eight into her house, and bathed them, two at a time. She sent them back, still tired, not quite so scared, and shinningly clean.

When Leopold treacherously capitulated to Germany, some of the people in Richmond, some of many, without much charity or good sense, turned on the refugees as though it were their fault, and some stupid, unkind things were said.

Actually, the refugees themselves resented Leopold's action almost more than the English did. One woman became hysterical when it was spoken of. The men shook their heads sadly and at first refused to believe it.

Then good sense reasserted itself, and neighbourliness continued. The English housewives still pop into the Belgian homes to ask if there is anything they can do to help.

Some of them rather shyly offer a little food now and then, for the refugees who arrived here destitute have only 11s. for an adult and 3s. 6d. for a child a week to find their food, their fuel, lighting, and so on.

Fairy Godmothers

Do not think that the refugees grumble. Almost all of them are showing true gratitude. And they almost worship a score of English housewives who have given up all

their time to become, without making any fuss about it, official fairy godmothers.

One of these housewives was allocated to each household of refugees. She it was who prepared the house for them, put all the furniture right, shepherded the children to the clothing depot to see that they got proper clothes, made beds of the essential things the house needed, and somehow contrived to provide them often from her own pocket.

When any of them were ill, she got a doctor for them. She took the children to the dentist, and saw that they were settled comfortably into English schools. The children are all going to school now, and special English lessons are being arranged for them.

Home From Home

The housewife in charge of the house I visited was a middle-aged, unobtrusive person, whom you might duplicate a thousand times with a shopping basket in any English main street.

She had treated the six families in her house so generously, and yet so simply and naturally, that for every Belgian there she has come to love England, and to give to them a love of this country they will never lose.

Look how beautifully it fits. I visited a Belgian man, a soldier, who was in a great deal of trouble, but his husband had given him.

See, madame, how fine the walls look now, called the young man who was papering the room. Yes, she admitted, she and her husband had bought him the wallpaper and had hung it splendidly but was hanging it quite professionally.

The little girl is truly happy at school, madame, said one Belgian mother.

If his father is still alive, he will be so glad to know that his boy's education has not been interrupted, he went to a good school in Antwerp, madame, said another, a woman still tormented by lack of news of her husband since she fled from Belgium.

Only one thing, I should say, is needed now to make these Belgians content. The men want to work.

"We have been to the Labour Exchanges, we have registered," said one of them to me. "We know that the English unemployed must first have jobs, but after that, if only we, too, could work. But there, madame, your husband has provided us with tickets at the library, and I can continue my studies."

He picked up a book on astronomy. He was an officer in the Belgian State Marine. He was a lecturer, too, and he must not, he said, get rusty. If only he could get the two volumes of Nichol's Concise Guide to Navigation.

"Ah, then," he said, "I should be happy."

The housewife quietly slipped a notebook from her handbag, and made a note of the title.

"We'll have to see if we can get hold of the books somewhere," she murmured.

"Dangerous Woman" Sent To Gaol—Husband A Warden

It was alleged at Croydon yesterday that a bust of Sir Oswald Mosley, copies of Action, had cards showing former membership of Fascist Party, were found at the flat in Bishopsgate-road, St. Helier, of Edward N. D. Bell, aged forty-one, solicitor's managing clerk, and his wife, Ivy, aged thirty-one.

Mrs. Bell was sentenced to three months' hard labour for using insulting words and behaviour. "We consider you are a dangerous woman," said the presiding magistrate, Dr. L. A. C. Lankester.

The husband, who was fined £5 for assaulting a war reserve constable, said he was a City raid warden.

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



WE DON'T MIND THE JOKES

by an L. D. V.

"If the night is a little misty," joked a friend of mine, an Army officer returned from Dunkirk to man a gun in England, "the first big battle on English soil will probably be fought out between the British Army and the L.D.V."

When I passed that joke on to the ex-Servicemen in my village section of the Local Defence Volunteers, they chuckled, and said, "Then God help the British Army."

Perhaps we shall not realise, unless an invasion of this country is attempted, just what strength we have added to ourselves by forming this part-time Army. I can speak, as I say, only for my village, but I believe the spirit to be the same anywhere.

We are only an ordinary lot. We cannot boast six generals in one section, all in splendour arrayed, like the Surrey village to which Vernon Bartlett referred in the House of Commons the other day.

But we have found some surprisingly useful talent in unexpected places.

Take barbed wire, for instance. I, who was a child during the last war, and am now waiting to be called up in this one, am much more scared of barbed wire than I am of the enemy.

But you should see the way the grocer's assistant tackled the stuff (and shyly produced, afterwards, a few grubby photographs of himself, a young fellow of eighteen, with the other sergeants in the crowd that occupied Cologne).

You would have been impressed, I think, by the dexterity with which Mr. X, who lives rather grandly in a big house on the Green, and is now called up in the Reserve of Officers, handled a mallet to drive in stakes.

Or by the target score put up by the ex-cavalryman gardener at miniature rifle practice in the disused gravel pit over the fields.

To the L.D.V., anyway, this is truly a people's war, bringing back half-forgotten memories of dim stories of other wars, read in history books.

Were there not wars in which horsemen rode through the dawn, knocking on a door, casting a handful of gravel at a sleeping window, carrying the news "To arms"; wars in which hill-top beacons flared, and the villagers fled out silently to their places in the fields? Why have our more prosaic counterparts—a bicycle bell ringing in a front garden just before dawn, a few words to an open window, and then, in ones and twos, men in khaki carrying their rifles down the lanes where the cottages slumber where every footstep crunches loudly on the gravel, and only the distant searchlights reaching to the clouds seem silently awake.

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We have had our teething troubles, like everybody else, and we have made our little mistakes. There was that bellicose, fire-eating first meeting in the Institute, while the young women gathered, curious and giggling, in the evening sunlight outside.

There was the excitement, while we stood to our posts through most of one night, of a shot exploding suddenly in the soundless air.

Hurriedly we sent in our report to headquarters expectantly we prepared for battle.

The explanation came next morning. It seems that one of the men enrolled in the next village was the local poacher (and a very useful fellow, too).

There he was, standing with his gun, when up popped a rabbit. Instinct was too strong for him—and well, there it was.

He was really very apologetic about it.

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The L.D.V., I suppose, has become the source of more jokes than anything else in the war—but let that pass, we can do with a few jokes, anyway.

If and when the trouble starts, not all the laughs will be on one side. Speaking only for my village, I don't think many Nazis are going to pass through it unscathed. Not at least, till we are all dead. You might say that our motto is "On no passé pas." The ex-Servicemen don't put it in quite those words, or quite so politely, but it means the same thing.

L. D. V. OF 1859

LOOK through the Family Album. Perhaps you may find a "photo" of grandfather or Uncle James with side-whiskers, pork-pie hat and rifle, dated 1859. Funny old fellow!

But grandfather or Uncle James was facing the same menace as you are to-day—the menace of invasion—and then it came from France.

Napoleon III, was on the throne of France; he had married the beautiful Spanish Countess Eugenie de Montijo.

Eugenie was ambitious—she hated the "ideology" of liberalism. England was the home of liberalism. Changes in the foreign policy of France threatened Britain. Junior officers of the French Army boasted openly that France was ready to try an invasion of the British Isles. The second conquest of Britain was at hand. It was to be 1859 and All That!

The rumours and menaces caused some anxiety in Great Britain. Colonel Jonathan Peel proposed on May 12, 1859, the organisation of a National Volunteer Association for promoting the practice of rifle shooting.

June next year saw Queen Victoria reviewing nearly 20,000 volunteers in Hyde Park. Meetings of the National Association for Rifle Shooting were held at Wimbledon. At the first meeting, in July, 1860, the Queen fired the first shot. The meetings continued to be held at Wimbledon until 1890, when the thirty-third meeting was held on Biscay Common. The number of enrolled volunteers was then over 220,000.

These pictures were taken at the eighth meeting held in 1867 at Wimbledon. A feature of this meeting was the visit of 2,000 Belgian Gardes Civiques and Volunteers, acclaimed by the British Volunteers and by the people alike. The French danger passed away. Empress Eugenie herself had to seek refuge in Britain. The Volunteer movement, however—and, by the way, the friendship with Belgium—became a "British Institution."

Where Would You Find—

1. A ratel?
2. The capital of California?
3. The Schuicide Lakes.
4. The nation whose flag bears three white stars within a white crescent on a green field?
5. The schoolhouse of "Mary had a little lamb" fame?
6. The Ambassador Bridge?
7. The Pillars of Hercules?
8. Calcutta and Mexico?
9. Gotland?

(Answers)

1. A nocturnal carnivore, gray above, and black below of southern and western Africa and India.
2. Sacramento.
3. A group of 12 lakes in southeastern Maine.
4. Egypt.
5. It was moved to South Sudbury, Mass. by Henry Ford.
6. A suspension bridge across the Detroit River, connecting Detroit, Michigan and Canada.
7. The two opposite promontories situated at the eastern extremity of the Strait of Gibraltar.
8. Two small border towns, one in California the other in Mexico; their names are contractions of California and Mexico.
9. An island in the Baltic Sea; a province of Sweden.

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Musical Mass Production

The British Broadcasting Corporation recently started a series of programmes designed to bring music to the factories, with the object of increasing war production. Monotony, of course, militates seriously against the efficiency of the factory worker, and music doubtless would help him.

It is not merely that music diverts his thought from a wearisome routine: it goes, one imagines, rather deeper than that. As Mr. Adrian Stokes once wrote:

Think how the streets spring to life when the boldest kind of barrel-organ grinds its tune! At once the streets become a music scene, the movement of passers-by and of traffic becomes a ballet of a sort. So many things that lay in pieces in the mind and which were projected into the external world as piecemeal, rhythmless, are gathered together, organized and drilled by the music; and so we see the street differently. We see things as new.

It is, perhaps, much the same with the factory: the routine acquires a pattern, and hence a significance that leaves it no longer a meaningless repetition. Naturally, some workers cannot profit by this experiment; for even the thunders of the "1812 Overture" would be lost in the earth-shaking chorus of an iron foundry; but elsewhere employees are certain to be grateful to the B. B. C. for a mill that, to some extent, in its "motion like an angel sings."

Two Fly The Atlantic

Through granting permission to the American Export Airlines to begin transatlantic airplane service in competition with the already operating Pan American lines, the Civil Aeronautics Authority has followed the path of traditional American enterprise.

Pan American opposed the American Export application, stating it was prepared to expand its twice-weekly service to six-day service. But, apparently, after weighing the rival claims, the CAA decided that a little competition might not be a bad thing.

The war has forced many changes in the airways. The reciprocal arrangement between Pan American and Imperial Airways had to be scrapped. Likewise, American Export's long cherished plans to use its vessels at sea as weather-reporting stations must temporarily be set aside. Nor will American Export be able to make fullest use of the superior speed of its new Sikorsky flying boats, designed to save refueling at the Azores.

Both lines will share the traffic now, but some day the war will end and United States lines will have European competition.

HOW AMERICA SEES THE WAR

AMERICAN CARTOONISTS SEE THE WAR IN TERMS OF U.S. UNPREPAREDNESS AND THE MENACE OF NAZI DOMINATION SPREADING ACROSS THE ATLANTIC AS THE SHADOW OF THE MAILED FIST DARKENS EUROPE AND AFRICA. "PLANES FOR THE ALLIES" IS ONE WAY TO HOLD HITLER.



THE NEXT OBJECTIVE

The Baltimore Sun.



"THE DARK CONTINENTS"

Wilmington News.



BIRDS OF OMEN

New York Sun.



New York Daily Mirror.

MR. KNOW-ALL By ROBERT LYND

A SOLICITOR, defending an old man who was prosecuted the other day for "communicating information regarding munitions," pleaded that his client had spoken "not only without knowledge of facts, but foolishly and possibly in a know-all spirit to impress the man with whom he was conversing."

That, I think, is the explanation of about ninety-nine per cent. of Careless Talk. For every Fifth Columnist, trying to spread defeatism, there are a hundred Mr. Know-alls — it sounds like the name of a character in "The Pilgrim's Progress"—whose chief object in talking is to give other people the impression that they possess inside information.

I do not know why human beings should feel puffed up if they can give the impression that they know more than other people; but undoubtedly many of them do. Hence, if they hear a sensational rumour, they cannot keep it to themselves. They have a natural appetite for rumours, and, having heard one, pass it on in a still falsified form, mainly for the pleasure of seeing their fellow human beings pricking up their ears.

After all, everybody wants to be interesting, and what surer way of being interesting is there than by telling a thoroughly sensational story?

This desire to be interesting at all costs is, of course, not a purely war-time disease. It is merely the normal passion for scandal-mongering adapted to war-time conditions. Scandal-mongering is mostly due to vanity—the delight of appearing to be the Man in the Know or the Woman in the Know.

How often has one seen a woman coming into a room with a wild joy on her features and heard her saying excitedly something like: "My dear, have you heard the latest about the Blanks? It's simply incredible. What is happening to the Civil Service?" And, after that, comes a tissue of mingled truth and falsehood so absorbing that no one would dream of interrupting it.

Marshal Petain At Versailles

THE SCENE was a French cafe in Soho on July 14, when the pathetic commemoration of France's national day in London was over. A group of French soldiers were cheering themselves up in their elastic way.

"Just think," said one of them, "of old Petain going to live in the Chateau at Versailles. It's a bit thick!"

"The old man will die of cold when winter comes," said another. "It's awful at Versailles in winter. There's no central heating in the Chateau."

"That's why Laval suggested it to him," said a third. "He's been proclaimed Petain's successor."

A laugh followed this sally; but a train of thought had been started which cast a shadow over many faces in that room. Petain at Versailles! What pictures of tragic absurdity it raised.

Petain, the old Marshal of France, taking charge of her destinies after being worked upon, cajoled and persuaded, with infinite care and infinite patience, by the Nazis, first in Madrid, then (as the decisive hour approached) in Paris itself.

It is no Man of France but a bewildered, senile spirit, first hypnotized, then deceived by self-seeking or alien tricksters,

by many people to be supplying U-boats with petrol.

There is an old saying that you should not believe all you hear. It is a saying that is particularly worth remembering in war-time. If you hear, unofficially and merely through the medium of gossip, that there has been a parachute landing in some distant county in England, treat it as bunkum. Such a story was going about the other day. I asked a man who does happen to possess some inside information whether there was any truth in the story. "Bunk," he replied: "pure bunk." And it was.

Rumours, I admit, are occasionally true; but it is absurd to believe a rumour on no other evidence than that of little-tattle. And it is still worse to repeat it on such evidence. The Father of Lies is the father of most rumours; and he has been authoritatively described as the Enemy of Mankind.

that now proposes to seek refuge among the faded glories of a past regime.

Does the French Hindenburg intend, I wonder, to inhabit alone some corner of Louis XIV's vast palace? He can hardly mean to hold court as a new Roi Soleil of France. If he does, he had better remember that the screaming market-women and hungry crowds of Paris can reach this retreat more quickly now than they could when they stormed its grand staircase 150 years ago.

Will Petain sleep in Louis's room—that first-floor room with three windows in the very centre of the huge structure, overlooking the Marble Court? The windows above it are false, the rooms overhead were walled up in Louis's day, for none might lie above the King.

As he makes his way to the royal chapel (assuming that he will now attend Mass there) will Petain pause in the Hall of Mirrors to look up at the paintings by Lebrun — another Lebrun, not the one he has deposed—showing Louis's victories over Germany, Holland and Spain? Will he pause at the spot where Clemenceau sat to preside over the fateful Peace Conference of 1919, which ended, here in this hall, with the signing of the Versailles Treaty?

Above all, will he remember how in the days of Louis XIV. the Hall of Mirrors was not only the meeting-place of a brilliant Court but a place of public audience where the humblest of Louis's subjects had the right to wait for and intercept the King on his way to Council and ask his mercy or his aid?

Or will he stand sometimes in the central hall of the Grand Trianon, near by, remembering how, in this very room, his predecessor, Marshal Bazaine, was tried and found guilty of treason for surrendering the fortress of Metz to the Prussians in 1870?

Perhaps, on the whole, the old Marshal had better avoid these splendours and content himself with a little villa in the pleasantly wooded outskirts of Versailles. There, at least, he will be able to take his morning constitutional in the Bois de Fausses Reposes—"the Wood of False Rest"—that lies so conveniently at hand.

DAVID SCOTT

NANCY



TANGLED LOVES OF HUSBAND AND WIFE

"JEALOUS" WOMAN FACES A TRIPLE CHARGE OF MURDER

A TANGLED story of love, in which a man and wife living under the same roof had "each taken to themselves a lover," was unfolded by prosecuting counsel when a triple murder charge against a woman was opened at Tonbridge, Kent.

She was Florence Iris (Ouida) Ransom (34), of Piddington, near Bicester, and was accused of the murder of Mrs. Dorothy Sanders Fisher (46), her daughter, Miss Freda Ann Fisher (20), and their housekeeper, Miss Charlotte Saunders (48).

The three women were found dead with gunshot wounds at Crittenden, a cottage at Matfield, near Tonbridge.

Mrs. Ransom, in a grey coat, turned, grey felt hat and blue jumper, sat in dock beside two wardresses. Several times during the evidence she broke down and wept. She frequently made notes in a red-covered note-book.

Mr. G. R. Pelling, prosecuting, said that Mrs. Fisher's marriage in 1913 to Mr. Walter Lawrence Fisher, editor of a technical paper, was not perhaps, happy. They had two daughters.

Mrs. Fisher and a Dane, became lovers, but Mr. Fisher continued to live in the same house with his wife, and became acquainted with Mrs. Ransom, a widow, who used to accompany him to Crittenden for weekends.

Both Mrs. Ransom and the Dane were frequent visitors to the Fisher house at Twickenham.

Under The Same Roof

"It was an unusual position," said Mr. Pelling, "There was a man and wife living under the same roof and each had taken to themselves a lover."

Later Mr. Fisher bought a farm near Bicester, and went to live there with Mrs. Ransom, while Mr. Fisher, her daughter Freda and Miss Saunders went to Crittenden.

The Dane wanted to live at Crittenden, but this was in a prohibited area, and he could not obtain police permission to do so.

Mr. Fisher tried to help his wife and lover and went to the police to endeavour to obtain the permit for the Dane, but failed.

Mr. Pelling said that on July 9 Miss Saunders was found lying dead in front of the cottage, Miss Fisher's body was near a gate in an orchard, while that of Mrs. Fisher was on the other side of the orchard.

Broken crockery in the kitchen suggested preparations for tea. A writing-desk and two chests of drawers were disordered.

"On Friendly Terms"

Mrs. Ransom, in an alleged statement, said: "Although Mrs. Fisher was aware of what was happening between Mr. Fisher and myself, there was no animosity between us and we were on quite friendly terms."

She denied that she visited Crittenden on July 9 and said that she had a fall in a field while searching for a cat, and spent some time in a cottage on the farm near Bicester.

Mother And Daughter Weep

Mrs. Ransom again seemed on the point of tears when her mother, Mrs. Mary Blanche Guilford, was called.

My husband deserted me years ago, said Mrs. Guilford. My daughter is 35. She married a Mr. Ransom about 15 years ago. He died about 10 years ago.

Mrs. Guilford said that sometimes she and her daughter went to the farm. On July 9 she did not see Mr. Ransom until 9 p.m. She was asked to go to a room in the house and said that she had been changing a cat in a field and had taken a drink of beer.

At the time Mr. Guilford broke down and Mrs. Ransom, who had been sitting next to her, wept. Mrs. Guilford said that Mrs. Ransom was not at the farmhouse about 9.30 on July 9. Next day she asked her, where she had been and she said she had been out with Dudley.

Mr. Guilford added that her daughter told her not to say anything to Mr. Fisher about her being out all day.

Her evidence, he admitted, was not the most accurate, but she was a first-class police.

Cartridges "Thrown Away"

Frederick Vernon Guilford, Mrs. Ransom's brother, identified the gun produced in court as his. His sister said that she would like to have a shot at rabbits and he showed her how the gun worked, and lent it to her with about a dozen cartridges.

He saw his sister about eight o'clock next morning, and she said that she did not feel well and was going back to bed. She returned the gun to him on the following day and said that she had thrown the cartridges away.

"When she gave me the gun," Guilford added, "she told me to be careful and I cleaned it as it had been wet or damp."

Guilford said he did not at first tell the police the story he had told in court. He did not connect the two murders, and was scared because his gun had been out of his possession.

Guilford said he was positive that none of the cartridges was given back to him.

When he asked his sister why the cartridges were thrown away she said they were damp.

Read Report Of Tragedy

Mrs. Jessie Guilford, wife of the previous witness, stated that Mrs. Ransom came to her house about 8.45 p.m. on July 9 saying she was not feeling very well.

At the farm she showed Mrs. Ransom a newspaper account of the deaths of the three women.

No Racial Discrimination

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Wing-Comdr. Steele-Perkins was speaking at an informal tea-party given by Divisional Warden H. R. Sequeira and other officers to wardens and telephonists of the Upper Levels Division. Other guests present were the Deputy Chief Air Raid Warden, Mr. A. E. Gerondal, and Head Warden E. Manning.

"I think you are the only division that could, in an emergency, man practically every post," he said. "I do not know how near we are to the real thing, but I am sure we have the right material, and you will all acquit yourselves admirably in any emergency."

that I am unable to solve, my mystery not being a strong detective story.

"Your Little Outburst"

Another letter, addressed "My dear Freda," gave a detailed account of life on the farm. "Julie" referred to "Freda my duck," and continued: "You will remember your little outburst on the Saturday before your departure. Owing to that, Daddy and I had a good talk about you, and it was then we made out our decision. I can assure you once again that we were fully agreed that you should not come again. I should have hardly thought you would mind about that, as it seemed to me that you were loath to have left Crittenden, and that we were holding you against your will."

Chief-Inspector P. Beveridge, New Scotland Yard, said that in Mrs. Ransom's bag he found a letter from Freda thanking Julie for her nice long letter.

"As you still say that you and Daddy have agreed it is best for me not to come to Crittenden again, I feel I must have offended you," the letter stated. "This I had not meant to do, and I am sorry."

"You say you are mystified. I am, too."

Mrs. Ransom, who pleaded not guilty and reserved her defence, was committed for trial to the Old Bailey.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Radiant (South Africa)

4—Four lasting (Jokes)

12—Period of time

13—Satisfy to full

14—Treatment

15—Good time

17—Dance

19—Two-dimensional surface

20—Pertaining to ethical behavior

21—Obstruct with sediment

22—Four towers

23—Tantalum

24—Chlorine symbol

25—Word (French)

26—Exercise right of ballot

27—Portuguese coin

28—Once played on horseback

29—Deprived

30—Melon

31—French article

32—Cinder

33—Belgian canal, scene of recent battle

34—Slender, prickly

35—Chair-like tract

36—Went over sea

37—Of great height

38—Easily misled

39—Brazilian cloth

40—Of no importance

41—Make dull

42—Makes sound like cat

43—Twenty-four hours

44—Kind of seaweed

45—By word of mouth

46—That which lives off another

47—Tulane

48—Vehicle

49—Particular entry

50—Abnormally shaped part

51—Unit (col.)

52—Chinese monetary unit

53—Like metal

54—Post-like organ

55—Shiny wraps

56—Great lake

57—In England, 45 inches

58—Deduction

59—South American tree

60—On highest point

61—Star-shaped

62—Flowing

63—Roman being

64—Having marshy properties

65—Fold in garment

66—Order of fish-like mammal

67—Poisonous snake

68—Kind of cloth

69—Hall

70—Unsprayed

71—Ten-name of Charles Lamb

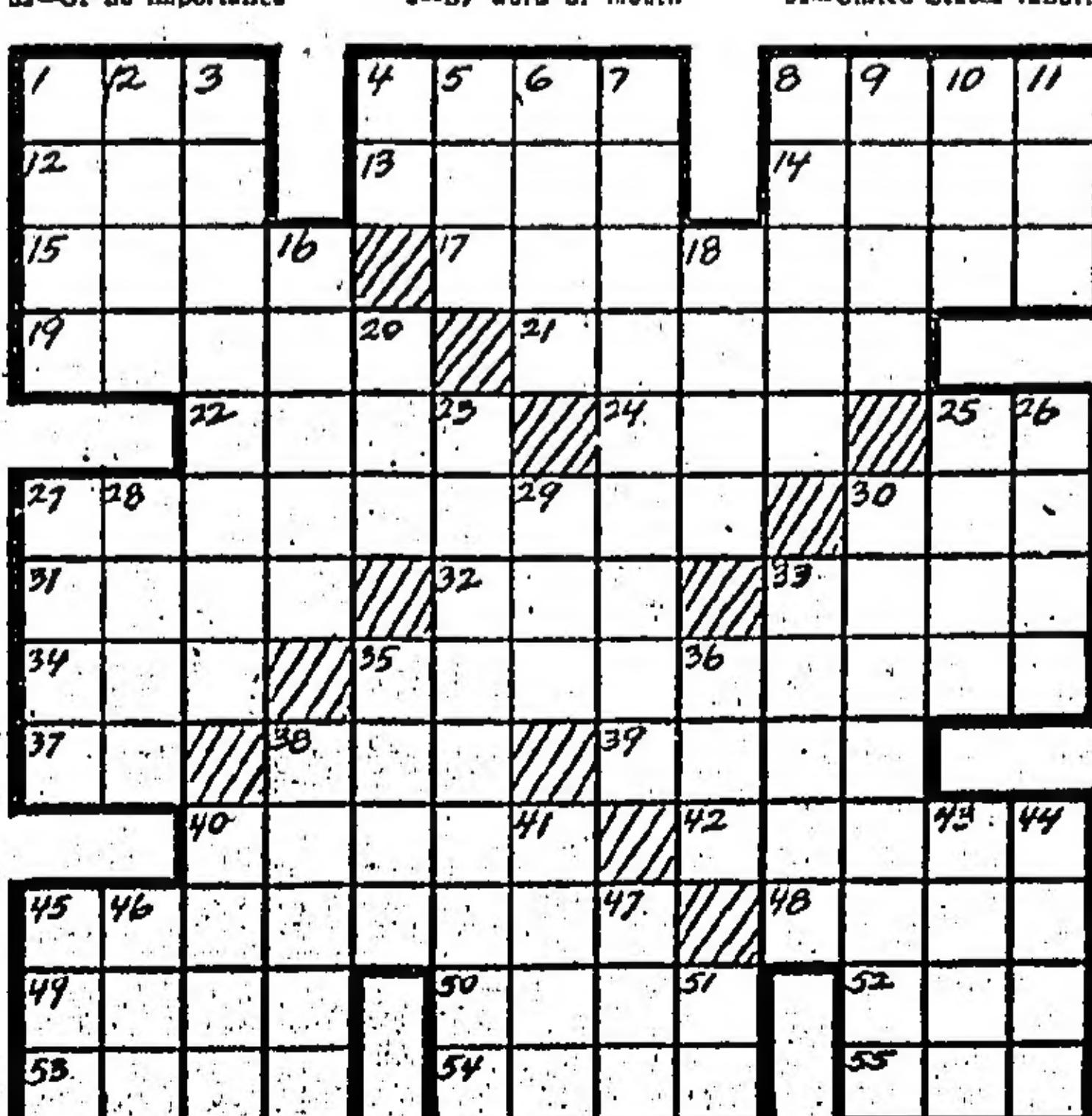
72—Lies by treaty

73—Male sheep

74—Self

75—Kind of bird

76—United States (abbr.)



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BEVIN TELLS THE MIDDLE CLASSES

WOMEN ARE NEEDED IN WAR-GOODS FACTORIES

MR. BEVIN, Minister of Labour, said that in the rearranged organisation of his Ministry they had kept ahead of every service in the supply of man-power for the Services. They moved week by week in close conformity with the demands made upon them.

Dealing with the call for man-power when the B.E.F. was evacuated from Dunkirk, he said: "We were notified on the Saturday morning that so many thousands of men were wanted for home defence, and in 24 hours every man and equipment was supplied for the purpose of developing home defence throughout the country."

He had asked munition workers to work 84 hours a week and to "produce like hell" in order to keep up the optimum of production. It was to the credit of the men that they responded.

He had now worked out a system of hours of rotation which would keep up the optimum of production and at the same time give the men the necessary rest period to maintain their health.

Chance For Small Firms

It was organising a scheme in which an appeal would be made to married women, middle-class women and women who had never been in a factory to do a couple of days' work, thus allowing the ordinary workers to have a rest.

Arrangements had been made to advise small firms. Referring to reports of disensions in the Government, Mr. Bevin said: "As I know it, that in the darkest hour when it looked as if not 20 per cent of our men would get back from France, every Minister of the Government, not only those in the War Cabinet, solemnly resolved to see it through until the end and not compromise with Hitler."

He did not witness any going back on that resolve. If I saw any weakness, I would be the first to tell the country.

No Compromise

I made up my mind when I went into that Government not to settle with the Nazi regime. They would have to beat us to smithereens and then we would not settle.

Let me be clear for the working people, even the Communists. There is no evidence in Norway, Holland, France or Belgium that any part of the working class, whatever their political party might have been, operated as fifth columnists. The fifth columnists came from higher up.

There can be no compromise with a system that takes my comrades into concentration camps for no other reason than that they stuck to their principles. I will work to the bone to rescue every one of them.

Mr. Bevin was speaking at a National Labour Party Interest Committee lunch.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says:

A further slight improvement was registered in prices to-day, but with trading limited to the morning the turnover was small.

H.K. Bonds	\$12.85
Unions Ins.	\$37.5
H.K. Fire Ins.	\$145
Docks (Old)	\$15.90
Docks (New)	\$15.50
Providents	\$4.95
Foreign	\$2.40
Landis	\$20.00
Humphreys	\$6.75
Electricity	\$3.20
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Telephones (New)	\$20.10
Cement	\$10.75
Dairy Farms	\$17.75
Watsons	\$6.00
Cement	\$10
Sales	
Providents	\$4/4.10
Humphreys	\$6.25
Electricity (Old)	\$37.75
Electricity (New)	\$17
Telephones (Old)	\$23.50
Cement	\$18.00

LATE NEWS

Ambassador Lives In Great Moscow Palace

LADY CRIPPS, who is exchanging her Cotswold home, Filkins, for the British Embassy in Moscow, is leaving a fine country house for a palace.

MINISTER RESIGNS Japanese Naval Chief Quits

Tokyo, Sept. 4. Admiral Zengo Yoshida, on Tuesday, entered the hospital attached to the Naval Medical College for treatment of a gastric ailment which has been complicated by heart attacks, it was officially announced by the Navy Ministry this afternoon.

Admiral Yoshida has been suffering from the ailment since last month and fatigue due to continuous attendance at official duty has prevented prompt recovery. It is understood that in view of the importance of the current situation, Admiral Yoshida this morning sent his resignation to the Premier, Prince Konoye, through Vice-Admiral Sugiyama, the Vice-Minister of the Navy, for presentation to the Throne.

The Premier, it is understood, consulted Admiral Sumiyama, the Vice-Minister of the Navy, regarding the appointment of a successor to Admiral Yoshida. Informed quarters understand that Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Yokosuka Naval Base and former Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese China Seas Fleet, is a strong candidate.

Admiral Yoshida has occupied the post of Navy Minister in three successive Cabinets joining the Cabinet for the first time in the Abe Cabinet which was appointed on August 30, last year.

Royal Navy Now Owns Faster New Speedboats

Motor boats of greater power than those now in service are being commissioned by the Navy.

It is not possible to give details of the craft now being fitted out, but the Admiralty asked recently for a limited number of volunteers who have had experience in the handling of sea-going motor boats with a speed of at least 15 knots.

Volunteers will be entered in the Royal Naval Patrol Service as second hands and engineers and have the status of petty officers. Rates of pay are 6s. a day for second hands and 11s. a day for engineers, plus usual naval allowances. Men already registered will be accepted if they have expressed a preference for naval service. Volunteers should apply to the local registers, Royal Naval Reserve, taking with them evidence of their motorboat experience.

RUSSIA CALLS UP MEN

Moscow, Sept. 4. More men are called to the colours by a decree summoning the whole 1922 class, most of the 1921 class, and all of the 1922 class who have had 10 years' schooling. Men in older classes previously exempt have also been called up.—Reuter.

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 4 (UP).—THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO-DAY PUBLICLY NOTIFIED JAPAN THAT AMERICA IS CLOSELY WATCHING EVERY JAPANESE MOVE WHICH MIGHT AFFECT INDO-CHINA OR THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, also revealed that the United States is standing pat on her refusal to permit the Japanese to take over all the Shanghai defence sectors.

He said that the conference in Shanghai was still being continued, but that no agreement had been reached.

EFFECT ON PUBLIC OPINION

Regarding Indo-China, Mr. Cordell Hull said that the situation there was a "matter to which the United States attaches importance."

He added, however, that as yet the United States had not received confirmation of the report that the Japanese had delivered an ultimatum to the Indo-China Government.

He declared that the State Department was "reluctant to give credence to the report, but should events prove them to be well founded, the effect on public opinion in the United States would be unfortunate."

Vichy Denial

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
VICHY, Sept. 4 (UP).—The Petain Government to-day published an official denial to the report that the Franco-Japanese negotiations principally concerning Indo-China have been interrupted.

On the contrary, the conversations are continuing for the purpose of reaching an agreement in establishing mutual interests in the Far East.

HITLER ADMITS "LONG WAR"

The Nazi Fuehrer
In Apologetic Mood

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Britain owed her escape from the fate which had overtaken other opponents of Germany to the exceptional speed of her withdrawal and her fortunate geographical position, said Hitler to-day in a speech inaugurating the Winter Help Campaign.

"The vast territory now dominated by German troops has been still further extended by the Italians who have taken the initiative in East Africa," he continued.

"British propaganda goes from the height to the depth and then to even greater height. Thus England wins numerous so-called victories like Dunkirk, which in our eyes was their most contemptible failure."

Referring to the "proud conflict in the west," in which "the Allies had to bear nothing but defeats," Hitler said: "Now France, too, is broken like the others. What do they say to that?"

"They say that now at last England can concentrate all her forces, now England has attained the strategic position for which she had wished and hoped, and that the battle of France had only cost valuable British blood."

Five Year War?
"Once they said the war will last three years."
"We will prepare ourselves for three years, but at that time I said

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BRITISH GUNS GO INTO ACTION

Special to the "Telegraph"

AT A SOUTHEAST COAST TOWN, Sept. 4 (UP).—British long-range guns went into action across the Channel this afternoon, sending over several heavy shells which were followed a minute later by severe concussions from the Calais area.

According to a "Domet" report, the bombardment lasted for two hours late in the night.

As the terrific explosions shook the English side of the Channel, the flashes of bursting shells and flares could be seen lighting up the coast line in the region of Calais and Boulogne.

Shelling of the French coast by long-range guns coincided with fierce attacks by the R.A.F. on advanced Nazi air bases, principally in the Calais region.

(Domet and United Press Messages.)

Death Of Old China Soldier

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Brigadier General William Milward Watson, one of the officers who started the new "Chinese Regiment" in Weihaiwei in 1898.

He commanded this regiment in the relief of Tientsin in 1900. He was the first Regular Army officer to command the Shanghai Volunteers.

STOCK EXCHANGE FAVOURABLY INFLUENCED BY U.S. NEWS

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was favourably influenced by news of the transfer of 50 United States destroyers to Britain. Hence market activity increased with advancing prices.

All sections were affected but industrials and oils were most notably favoured.

Wall Street was narrowly irregular.

FREE FRENCHMEN RALLY TO THE ALLIES



They Won't Surrender

WITH THE first shock of the shameful betrayal by their leaders over, more and more Frenchmen are rallying to the Allied cause, determined to re-gain for their Motherland the freedom and honour surrendered to Hitler by Petain. Two of these photographs were taken in London, show Free Frenchmen—soldiers and sailors—marching through the streets. The other photograph is of a French battleship which, manned by French officers and crew, is now serving with the British Navy.

BARRAGE BEATS NAZI PLANES: 41 MORE DOWN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Continued German attempts to break down Britain's aerial defences yesterday not only failed, but cost the invaders 41 planes, say "United Press" reports from London.

Up to 3.45 p.m. yesterday the Nazis had lost 41 machines to British fighters, while only five defending planes were brought down.

The London area had several warnings, the second following the approach of planes at such a height that they were invisible from the ground and only the faint sounds of machine-gun fire and cannonading could be heard.

A fierce anti-aircraft barrage over a town on the southern side of the Thames Estuary was the first indication that German planes were in the vicinity.

The barrage came round in a great circle over a town on the north bank of the Estuary, then inland and then back again towards the river.

No bombs were dropped in the Estuary areas.

During a short but sharp battle over a south-east coast town five German machines were brought down.

Two crashed into the sea and three inland.

The German force appeared to TURN to Page 8, Column Five

—As R.A.F. Continues Mass Raids On Reich

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Sept. 4 (UP).—The Royal Air Force made extensive and intensive raids both over Germany and France to-day.

Twenty R.A.F. bombers attacked military objectives concealed in German forests in the Harz mountains and in the Gruenwald forests, north of Berlin.

Many fires were started which later caused explosions.

Other aircraft carried out reconnaissance flights over an area of the Black Forest east of Baden-Baden, where fires had been started by our bombers the previous night, and were found still to be blazing.

Other forces of R.A.F. bombers attacked electric power stations, lighting installations and an armament factory near Berlin.

Le Touquet Bombed

The day's operations over France opened with an attack by several bombers on the Le Touquet aerodrome where high explosives were dropped on the landing field.

Later our aircraft maintained the attack and the pilot of one machine saw six separate fires at the aerodrome.

Another squadron bombed the San Tomer aerodrome and scored hits on the landing field which were followed by explosions.

The Marck aerodrome at Calais was attacked first at 12.15 and then at 1 a.m. Another raider bombed the airfield at Guines, southeast of Calais.

Further inland, two raiders bombed the Abbeville airport and R.A.F. bombers made a series of attacks and counter-attacks on the advanced striking bases of the German air force in the Pas de Calais area.

MINESWEEPER LOST SMALL VESSEL HITS GERMAN MINE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Sept. 4 (UP).—It was officially announced by the Admiralty to-day that the mine-sweeper trawler Loyale of 248 tons, had been sunk by an enemy mine. It is admitted that there were some casualties, but their number is not stated.

LOAN RUMOUR DENIED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (UP).—Mr. Warren Piersen, President of the Export-Import Bank, to-day declared that he had no knowledge of a loan reported to have been made through the efforts of Mr. T. V. Soong. Other departments of the bank also admitted ignorance.

LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

HITLER'S HATRED

Forces Vichy To End Relations with Dutch

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—It is officially announced in London that from to-morrow diplomatic relations between the Netherlands and France will be suspended.

A few weeks ago the Government informed the Netherlands Minister at Vichy that they were compelled to take steps to this effect.

Subsequently the Netherlands Government were informed that diplomatic relations would come to an end on September 5.

The decision of the Petain Government to break relations with Holland is regretted in authoritative Dutch circles.

It is pointed out that relations with France have remained courteous and friendly, since the Franco-German armistice, and it is felt that the Petain Government is acting "only" under strong German pressure.

It is suggested that the presence of the Netherlands Legation, enjoying the usual diplomatic privileges and especially freedom to inform their Government by confidential means of the situation in France, could evidently no longer be tolerated.

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- All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted on coloured photographs are ineligible.
- Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
- No picture to be entered in more than one Section.
- Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes: 10x12, 10x20.
- No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
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KING PRAISES HEROISM OF POLISH AIRMEN

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The heroism of the Polish army, navy and air force and the "stirring feats of Polish airmen in the air battles over England" are praised in a telegram sent by the King to M. Raczewicz, President of the Polish Republic.

This telegram was sent in acknowledgment of a message from President Raczewicz on the first anniversary of Britain's entry into the war.

The Polish Government expressed admiration "for the great British nation which in concert with her sister nations of the Empire bears without shrinking an immense weight of responsibilities contracted for the safety of Christian civilisation, menaced by a tide of barbarism."

The Polish President, in his message, also expressed a conviction that the "day is near when, thanks to the common effort of the British Empire and their allies, the world will be liberated from the tyranny now menacing it."

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6.33 Songs by Oscar Natoko (Bass).

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7.30 London Relay—"The News."

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 A Variety Programme.

8.40 Studio—Weekly Newsletter.

8.50 Dance Music.

9.00 London Relay—"The News and Topical Talks."

9.45 Patrick Rossborough at the Piano.

10.0 An hour of Dance Music.

11.0 Close down.

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U.S. public applauds deal with British Empire

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—"Hitler can find out for himself when they leave, where they are and anything else about them as far as I am concerned."

So declared Mr. Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's secretary, when questioned by reporters concerning the movements of the destroyers destined for Britain.

Mr. Early added that the President was pleased with the public reaction to the agreement.

Out of several hundred telegrams received at the White House, less than a dozen opposed the deal.

Rumanian Army Disintegrating? King Carol Appoints A Soldier-Premier

BUCHAREST, Sept. 4 (UP).—Considerable speculation has been aroused in Rumania by the action of King Carol in charging General Antonescu to form a Government.

Everybody is wondering what General Antonescu's policy will be towards Transylvania.

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TURKEY WILL GO TO AID OF GREEK FORCES

Special to the "Telegraph"

SOFIA, Sept. 4 (Domei).

Reports from Sofia said that although the Turkish reply to Greece regarding the alleged Greek request for a clarification of the Turkish attitude in case of Greece being invaded by a third Power, was not disclosed, well-informed quarters believed that the Turkish Ministers, M. Enis Akayenay, has assured the Greek Government that all preparations have been completed for any eventuality by Turkey.

It is reported that the Turkish Government during the past few days has been strengthening the frontiers of eastern Thrace and Syria in view of the threats of the war being extended to the eastern Mediterranean.

There are persistent rumours that Bulgaria will eventually demand the return of eastern Thrace.

Indo-China

Negotiations

Reported Terms

CHUNGKING, Sept. 5 (Reuter).

The only Chinese report on Indo-China-Japanese negotiations stated that the authorities of the French colony agree to supply Japan with rice, coal, rubber and other raw materials but demand in return early restoration of traffic on the French Railway and also that Japan will not take any military measures in Indo-China.

It is understood that the Japanese have advanced certain conditions before agreeing to restoration of commercial traffic on the railway.

These conditions are said to be under discussion at present.

Air Bases For Destroyers

Washington Reactions

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).

When the House of Representatives was convened this afternoon, members' comments on the destroyer transfer varied from "clearly an act of war" to "a blamed good job."

The debate was short, sharp and inconclusive.

Speaker William Bankhead, who had an interview with President Roosevelt, set at rest newspaper rumours that negotiations for West Indian bases with the Netherlands or with General de Gaulle might be impending by stating:

"That is out of the window. There is nothing more in sight about any more bases, I am authorised to say."

POPE'S PRAYER CRUSADE

Vatican City, Sept. 4.

The Pope made his 25th appeal for peace to-day when he exhorted Catholic action to spread the Gospel throughout the world. Vatican circles regard the speech as launching a prayer crusade in which Christian principles will replace diplomatic efforts towards peace.—United Press.

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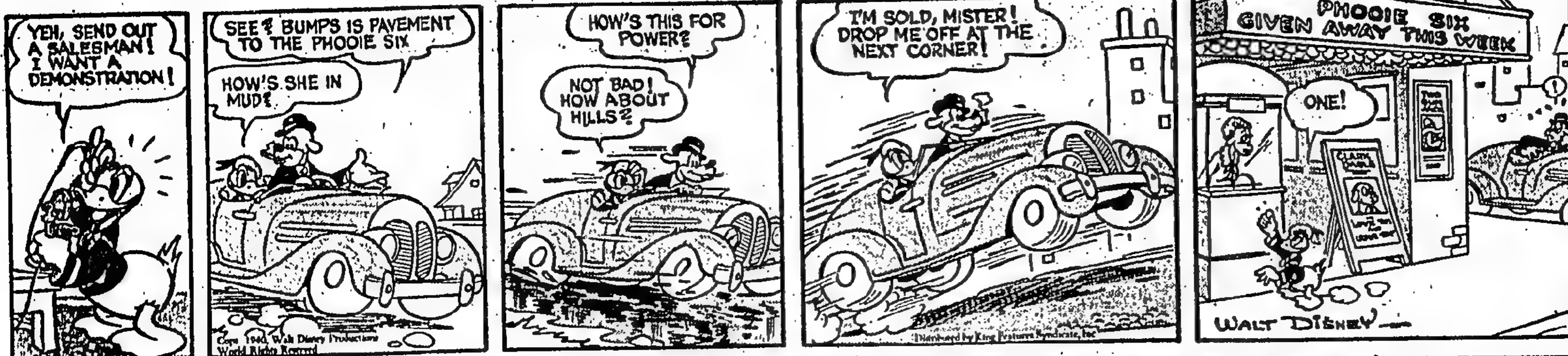
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BELGIUM by-the-Thames

BY DUDLEY BARKER

IN one room of this London suburban house at Richmond a man, stripped to the waist, is busily hanging cheerful, if rather yellow, wallpaper on the walls.

On the patch of grass outside another man is repairing a bicycle, Continental style, that has already experienced war.

A fair-haired baby girl staggers about between them, chirping happily, colliding now and then with their legs. Through the open door a woman calls, "Manger!"

The Belgian refugees, whom we have almost forgotten, are gradually settling down.

Settling Down

About 250 of them came to Richmond, including some who were originally billeted in other places which later became protected areas. Their experiences have been fairly typical of what happened to all the refugees, so let me tell you how they are getting on at Richmond.

The organisers decided, wisely against any billeting on private families. Instead they took over nearly 20 empty, unfurnished houses in the district, and each became a small Belgian colony.

They appealed to the Richmond people for furniture, and they got stocks of it. They appealed for clothes for the refugees, and they got so many that they opened a clothing depot at which they could all be fitted out.

They did not have to develop a spirit of neighbourliness. It was there from the first.

Baths For Eight

One English housewife, for instance, saw a party of eight small Belgian children arrive, weary, frightened and extremely grubby. She at once left what she was doing, took all eight into her house, and bathed them, two at a time. She sent them back, still tired, not quite so scared, and shiningly clean.

When Leopold treacherously capitulated to Germany, some of the people in Richmond, but not many, without much charity or good sense, turned on the refugees as though it were their fault, and some stupid, unkind things were said.

Actually, the refugees themselves resented Leopold's action almost more than the English did. One woman became hysterical when it was spoken of. The men shook their heads sadly, and at first refused to believe it.

Then good sense reasserted itself, and neighbourliness continued. The English housewives still pop into the Belgian homes to ask if there is anything they can do to help.

Some of them rather shyly offer a little food now and then, for the refugees who arrived here destitute have only 11s. for an adult and 3s. 6d. for a child a week to find all their food, their fuel, lighting, and so on.

Fairy Godmothers

Do not think that the refugees grumble. Almost all of them are showing true gratitude. And they almost worship a score of English housewives who have given up all

their time to become, without making any fuss about it, official fairy godmothers.

One of these housewives was allocated to each household of refugees. She it was who prepared the house for them, put all the furniture right, shepherded the children to the clothing depot to see that they got proper clothes, made lists of the essential things the house needed, and somehow contrived to provide them—often from her own pocket.

When any of them were ill, she got a doctor for them. She took the children to the dentist, and saw that they were settled comfortably into English schools. The children have all gone to school now, and special English lessons are being arranged for them.

Home From Home

The housewife in charge of the house I visited was a middle-aged, unobtrusive person whom you might duplicate a thousand times with a shopping basket in any English main street.

She had treated the six families in her house so generously, and yet so simply and naturally, that for every Belgian there she has come to typify England, and to give to them a love of this country they will never lose.

Look how beautifully it fits, madame," cried one Belgian, running happily downstairs in a neat blue suit which, the housewife confessed timidly, her husband had given him.

"See, madame, how fine the walls look now," called the young man who was painting the room. Yes, had bought him the wallpaper, and look how splendidly it was hanging, it, quite professionally.

"The little girl is truly happy at school, madame," said one Belgian mother.

"If his father is still alive, he will be so glad to know that his boy's education has not been interrupted. He went to a good school in Antwerp, madame," said another, a woman still tormented by lack of news of her husband since she fled from Belgium.

Only one thing, I should say, is needed now to make these Belgians content. The men want to work.

"We have been to the Labour Exchanges, we have registered," said one of them to me. "We know that the English unemployed must first have jobs, but after that, if only we, too, could work. But there, madame, my husband has provided us with tickets at the library, and I can continue my studies."

He picked up a book on astronomy. He was an officer in the Belgian State Marine. He was a lecturer, too, and he must not, he said, get rusty. If only he could get the two volumes of Nichol's Concise Guide to Navigation.

"Ah, then," he said, "I should be happy."

The housewife quietly slipped a notebook from her handbag, and made a note of the title.

"We'll have to see if we can get hold of the books somewhere," she murmured.

"Dangerous Woman"

Sent To Gaol

—Husband A Warden

It was alleged at Croydon yesterday that a bust of Sir Oswald Mosley, copies of Action, had cards showing former membership of Fascist Party, were found at the flat in Bishopsgate-road, St. Heller, of Edward N. D. Bell, aged forty-one, solicitor's managing clerk, and his wife, Ivy, aged thirty-one.

Mrs. Bell was sentenced to three months' hard labour for using insulting words and behaviour. "We consider you are a dangerous woman," said the presiding magistrate, Dr. L. A. C. Lancaster.

The husband, who was fined £5 for assaulting a war reserve constable, said he was a City raid warden.

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"The senior class at Yale voted him 'most likely to succeed' so who was I to stop him when he tried to kiss me?"

WE DON'T MIND THE JOKES

by an L. D. V.

"If the night is a little misty," joked a friend of mine, an Army officer returned from Dunkirk to man a gun in England, "the first big battle on English soil will probably be fought out between the British Army and the L.D.V."

When I passed that joke on to the ex-Servicemen in my village section of the Local Defence Volunteers, they chuckled, and said, "Then God help the British Army."

Perhaps we shall not realise, unless an invasion of this country is attempted, just what strength we have added to ourselves by forming this part-time Army. I can speak, as I say, only for my village, but I believe the spirit to be the same anywhere.

We are only an ordinary lot. We cannot boast six generals in one section, all in splendour arrayed, like the Surrey village to which Vernon Bartlett referred in the House of Commons the other day.

But we have found some surprisingly useful talent in unexpected places.

Take barbed wire, for instance. I, who was a child during the last war, and am now waiting to be called up in this one, am much more scared of barbed wire than I am of the enemy.

But you should see the way the grocer's assistant tackled the stuff (and shyly produced, afterwards, a few grubby photographs of himself, a young fellow of eighteen, with the other sergeants in the crowd that occupied Cologne).

You would have been impressed, I think, by the dexterity with which Mr. X, who lives rather grandly in a big house on the Green, and is now called up in the Reserve of Officers, handled a mail-lot to drive in stakes.

Or by the target score put up by the ex-cavalryman gardener at miniature rifle practice in the disused gravel pit over the fields.

To the L.D.V., anyway, this is truly a people's war, bringing back half-forgotten memories of dim stories of other wars, read in history books.

Were there not wars in which horsemen rode through the dawn, knocking on a door, casting a handful of gravel at a sleeping window, carrying the news, "To arms!" wars in which hill-top beacons flared, and the villagers fled out silently to their places in the fields?

We have our more prosaic counterpart—a bicycle bell ringing in a front garden just before dawn, a few words to an open window, and then, in ones and twos, men in khaki carrying their rifles down the lanes where the cottages slumber, where every footstep crunches loudly on the gravel, and only the distant searchlights reaching to the clouds seem silently awake.

We have had our teething troubles, like everybody else, and we have made our little mistakes. There was that bellicose, fire-eating first meeting in the Institute, while the young women gathered, curious and giggling, in the evening sunlight outside.

There was the excitement, while we stood to our posts through most of one night, of a shot exploding suddenly in the soundless air. Hurriedly we sent in our report to headquarters, expecting we prepared for battle.

The explanation came next morning. It seems that one of the men enrolled in the next village was the local poacher (and a very useful fellow, too).

There he was, standing with his gun, when up popped a rabbit. Instinct was too strong for him—and well, there it was.

He was really very apologetic about it.

The L.D.V., I suppose, has become the source of more jokes than anything else in this war—but let that pass; we can do with a few jokes, anyway.

If and when the trouble starts, not all the laughs will be on one side. Speaking only for my village, I don't think many Mares are going to pass through Cologne unscathed.

You might say that our motto is "On ne passe pas." The ex-Servicemen don't put it in quite those words, or quite so politely, but it means the same thing.

L. D. V. OF 1859

LOOK through the Family Album. Perhaps you may find a "photo" of grandfather or Uncle James with side-whiskers, pork-pie hat and rifle, dated 1859. Funny old fellow!

But grandfather or Uncle James was facing the same menace as you are to-day—the menace of invasion—and then it came from France.

Napoleon III, was on the throne of France; he had married the beautiful Spanish Countess Eugenie de Montijo.

Eugenie was ambitious—she hated the "ideology" of liberalism. England was the home of liberalism. Changes in the foreign policy of France threatened Britain. Junior officers of the French Army boasted openly that France was ready to try an invasion of the British Isles. The second conquest of Britain was at hand. It was to be 1859 and All That!

The rumours and menaces caused some anxiety in Great Britain. Colonel Jonathan Peel proposed on May 12, 1859, the organisation of a National Volunteer Association for promoting the practice of rifle shooting.

June next year saw Queen Victoria reviewing nearly 20,000 volunteers in Hyde Park. Meetings of the National Association for Rifle Shooting were held at Wimbledon. At the first meeting, in July, 1860, the Queen fired the first shot. The meetings continued to be held at Wimbledon until 1869, when the thirty-first meeting was held on Bisleigh Common. The number of enrolled volunteers was then over 220,000.

These pictures were taken at the eighth meeting held in 1867 at Wimbledon. A feature of this meeting was the visit of 2,000 Belgian Guards Civiques and Volunteers, acclaimed by the British Volunteers and by the people alike. The French danger passed away.

Empress Eugenie herself had to seek refuge in Britain. The Volunteer movement, however—and, by the way, the friendship with Belgium—became a "British institution."

Where Would You Find—

1. A ratel?
2. The capital of California?
3. The Schoodic Lakes
4. The station whose flag bears three white stars within a white crescent on a green field?
5. The schoolhouse of "Mary had a little lamb" fame?
6. The Ambassador Bridge?
7. The Pillars of Hercules?
8. Calcevia and Mexicali?
9. Gotland?

(Answers)

1. A nocturnal carnivore, gray above and black below of southern and western Africa and India.
2. Sacramento.
3. A group of 12 lakes in southern Maine.
4. Egypt.
5. It was moved to South Sudbury, Mass. by Henry Ford.
6. A suspension bridge across the Detroit River, connecting Detroit, Michigan and Canada.
7. The two opposite promontories situated at the eastern extremity of the Strait of Gibraltar.
8. Two small border towns, one in California the other in Mexico; their names are contractions of California and Mexico.
9. An island in the Baltic Sea; a province of Sweden.

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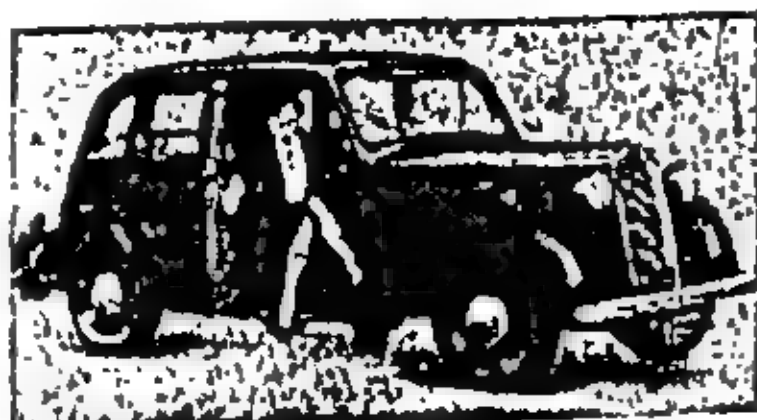
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Musical Mass Production

The British Broadcasting Corporation recently started a series of programmes designed to bring music to the factories, with the object of increasing war production. Monotony, of course, militates seriously against the efficiency of the factory worker, and music doubtless would help him.

It is not merely that music diverts his thought from a wearisome routine: it goes, one imagines, rather deeper than that. As Mr. Adrian Stokes once wrote:

Think how the streets spring to life when the bolder kind of barrel-organ grinds its tune! At once the streets become a mis-en-scene, the movement of passers-by and of traffic becomes a ballet of a sort. So many things that lay in pieces in the mind find which were projected into the external world as piece-meal, rhythmless... are gathered together, organized and drilled by the music; and so we see the street differently. We see things as new.

It is, perhaps, much the same with the factory: the routine acquires a pattern, and hence a significance that leaves it no longer a meaningless repetition. Naturally, some workers cannot profit by this experiment; for even the thunders of the "1812 Overture" would be lost in the earth-shaking chorus of an iron foundry; but elsewhere employees are certain to be grateful to the B. B. C. for a mill that, to some extent, in its "motion like an angel sings."

Two Fly The Atlantic

Through granting permission to the American Export Airlines to begin transatlantic air service in competition with the already operating Pan American lines, the Civil Aeronautics Authority has followed the path of traditional American enterprise.

Pan American opposed the American Export application, stating it was prepared to expand its twice-weekly service to six-day service. But, apparently, after weighing the rival claims, the CAA decided that a little competition might not be a bad thing.

The war has forced many changes in the airways. The reciprocal arrangement between Pan American and Imperial Airways had to be scrapped. Likewise, American Export's long cherished plans to use its vessels at sea as weather-reporting stations must temporarily be set aside. Nor will American Export be able to make fullest use of the superior speed of its new Sikorsky flying boats, designed to save refueling at the Azores.

Both lines will share the traffic now, but some day the war will end and United States lines will have European competition.

HOW AMERICA SEES THE WAR

AMERICAN CARTOONISTS SEE THE WAR IN TERMS OF U.S. UNPREPAREDNESS AND THE MENACE OF NAZI DOMINATION SPREADING ACROSS THE ATLANTIC AS THE SHADOW OF THE MAILED FIST DARKENS EUROPE AND AFRICA. "PLANES FOR THE ALLIES" IS ONE WAY TO HOLD HITLER.



Information please: and what did the Eagle do to Prometheus?

New York Tribune.



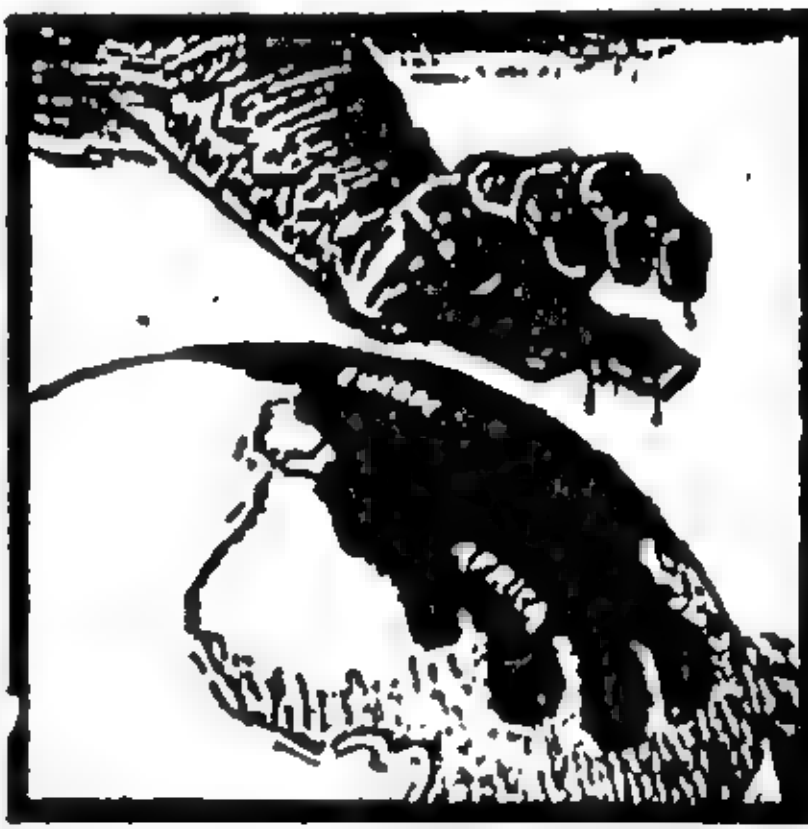
THE NEXT OBJECTIVE

The Baltimore Sun.



BIRDS OF OMEN

New York Sun.



"THE DARK CONTINENTS"

Wilmington News.



New York Daily Mirror.

MR. KNOW-ALL Marshal Petain By ROBERT LYND At Versailles

A SOLICITOR, defending an old man who was prosecuted the other day for "communicating information regarding munitions," pleaded that his client had spoken "not only without knowledge of facts, but foolishly and possibly in a know-all spirit to impress the man with whom he was conversing."

That, I think, is the explanation of about ninety-nine per cent. of Careless Talk. For every Fifth Columnist, trying to spread defeatism, there are a hundred Mr. Know-alls—it sounds like the name of a character in "The Pilgrim's Progress"—whose chief object in talking is to give other people the impression that they possess inside information.

I do not know why human beings should feel puffed up if they can give the impression that they know more than other people; but undoubtedly many of them do. Hence, if they hear a sensational rumour, they cannot keep it to themselves. They have a natural appetite for rumours, and, having heard one, pass it on in a still false form, mainly for the pleasure of seeing their fellow human beings pricking up their ears.

After all, everybody wants to be interesting, and what surer way of being interesting is there than by telling a thoroughly sensational story?

This desire to be interesting at all costs is, of course, not a purely war-time disease. It is merely the normal passion for scandal-mongering adapted to war-time conditions. Scandal-mongering is mostly due to vanity—the delight of appearing to be the Man in the Know or the Woman in the Know.

How often has one seen a woman coming into a room with a wild joy on her features and heard her saying excitedly something like: "My dear, have you heard the latest about the Blanks? It's simply incredible. What is happening to the 'Civil Service'?" And, after that, comes a tissue of mingled truth and falsehood so absorbing that no one would dream of interrupting it.

I have myself, as you have heard so many myths spread in this fashion about royalties, statesmen, generals, poets, actors and actresses, doctors, and other people that if I had put them into print I should have spent most of my adult life in gaol as a punishment for criminal libel. And it is not only famous people who are libelled. Every village has its village gossip—the local libeller.

That most stories told about people are untrue I was convinced many years ago by hearing from various friends of stories that they had been told about myself. Not a single one of them was true. Even those which had a small element of truth in them were as false as the partly-true fabrications of Dr. Goebbels.

One story related how I had gone up to receive a prize at a prize-distribution in a school of art, dressed as a policeman and sucking stout out of a baby's feeding-bottle. I thought it rather a good story, but, fortunately or unfortunately, I never attended a school of art, never dressed up as a policeman, and never drank stout out of a baby's feeding-bottle.

According to another myth—a slightly more creditable myth—it once took six stewards to drag me, fighting all the way, down the balcony stairs and throw me out of a political meeting for making interruptions in favour of the Suffragettes. No one who knows me, alas could believe me capable of such valour. But the Man Who Knows seldom knows the man about whom he knows something or other.

After a few experiences of this kind I decided never "without good reason" to believe any story that I heard about anybody else. After all, the myth making impulse is so strong in mankind that thousands of people once spread—and believed—incredible stories about Mr. Gladstone. Archbishops have been the victims of rumour as well as actresses. And most of these rumours are spread in an ever more distorted form chiefly as a result of the vanity of men and women who like it to be thought that they are in the know.

THE SCENE was a French cafe in Soho on July 14, when the pathetic commemoration of France's national day in London was over. A group of French soldiers were cheering themselves up in their elastic way.

"Just think," said one of them, "of old Petain going to live in the Chateau at Versailles. It's a bit thick!"

"The old man will die of cold when winter comes," said another. "It's awful at Versailles in winter. There's no central heating in the Chateau."

"That's why Laval suggested it to him," said a third. "He's been proclaimed Petain's successor."

A laugh followed this sally; but a train of thought had been started which cast a shadow over many faces in that room. Petain at Versailles! What pictures of tragic absurdity it raised.

Petain, the old Marshal of France, taking charge of her destinies after being worked upon, cajoled and persuaded, with infinite care and infinite patience, by the Nazis, first in Madrid, then (as the decisive hour approached) in Paris itself.

It is no Man of France but a bewildered, senile spirit, first hypnotized, then deceived by self-seeking or alien tricksters,

by many people to be supplying U-boats with petrol.

There is an old saying that you should not believe all you hear. It is a saying that is particularly worth remembering in war-time. If you hear, un-officially and merely through the medium of gossip, that there has been a parachute landing in some distant county in England, treat it as bunkum. Such a story was going about the other day. I asked a man who does happen to possess some inside information whether there was any truth in the story. "Bunkum," he replied. "—pure bunkum." And it was.

Rumours, I admit, are occasionally true; but it is absurd to believe a rumour on no other evidence than that of little-tattle. And it is still worse to repeat it on such evidence. The Father of Lies is the father of most rumours; and he has been authoritatively described as the Enemy of Mankind.

that now proposes to seek refuge among the faded glories of a past regime.

Does the French Hindenburg intend, I wonder, to inhabit alone some corner of Louis XIV's vast palace? He can hardly mean to hold court as a new Roi Soleil of France. If he does, he had better remember that the screaming market-women and hungry crowds of Paris can reach this retreat more quickly now than they could when they "stormed" its grand staircase 160 years ago.

Will Petain sleep in Louis's room—that first-floor room with three windows in the very centre of the huge structure, overlooking the Marble Court? The windows above it are false, the rooms overhead were walled up in Louis's day, for none might lie above the King.

As he makes his way to the royal chapel (assuming that he will now attend Mass there) will Petain pause in the Hall of Mirrors to look up at the paintings by Lebrun—another Lebrun, not the one he has deposed—showing Louis's victories over Germany, Holland and Spain? Will he pause at the spot where Clemenceau sat to preside over the fateful Peace Conference of 1919, which ended, here in this hall, with the signing of the Versailles Treaty?

Above all, will he remember how in the days of Louis XIV. the Hall of Mirrors was not only the meeting-place of a brilliant Court but a place of public audience where the humblest of Louis's subjects had the right to wait for and intercept the King on his way to Council and ask his mercy or his aid?

Or will he stand sometimes in the central hall of the Grand Trianon, near by, remembering how, in this very room, his predecessor, Marshal Bazaine, was tried and found guilty of treason for surrendering the fortress of Metz to the Prussians in 1870?

Perhaps, on the whole, the old Marshal had better avoid these splendours and content himself with a little villa in the pleasantly wooded outskirts of Versailles. There, at least, he will be able to take his morning constitutional in the Bois de Fausses Reposes—"the Wood of False Rest"—that lies so conveniently at hand.

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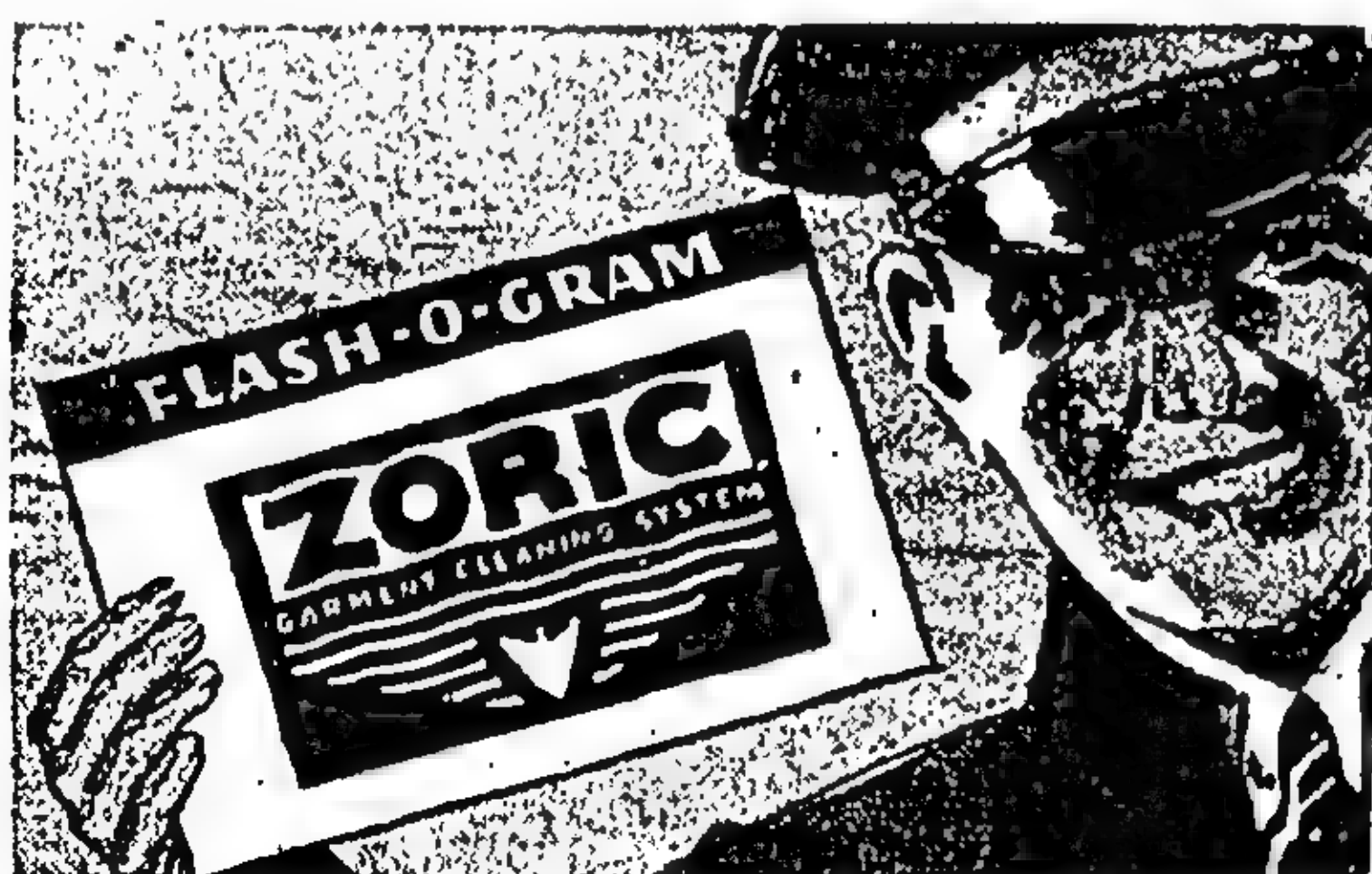
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Hitler Is Feeling Effects Of Britain's Powerful Blockade

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Sept. 4 (UP).—Britain's tightening blockade of Germany is strikingly revealed in official figures released to-day by the Ministry of Economic Warfare, which reviews the first year of the war.

Many Dead In German Troop Ship

Special to the "Telegraph"
GOTHENBURG, Sept. 4 (UP).—Confirmation of the torpedoing of a Nazi troop-ship off the Skaggerak has been received from Swedish fishermen.

It is believed that the casualties among the German troops aboard are high. So far only 100 of the entire complement aboard the ship have been saved.

The vessel was of about 12,000 tons.

It was torpedoed by a British naval unit as it was passing the northern tip of Denmark.

According to Swedish eye-witnesses, the vessel sank rapidly.

The hundred survivors were landed at Skagen, in Denmark.

War Factories Intact

Nazi Raids Fail

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Midlands area of Britain has been heavily attacked in recent Nazi raids but only slight damage has been done by these night raiders seeking to cripple war production, says an American correspondent in Britain.

After a survey of Birmingham and its environs, he says he found only two factories so badly damaged that production has to be stopped. They are small plants.

His estimates of the damage are based on personal observation. The survey was made without official knowledge. He simply hired a car and told the driver where to go.

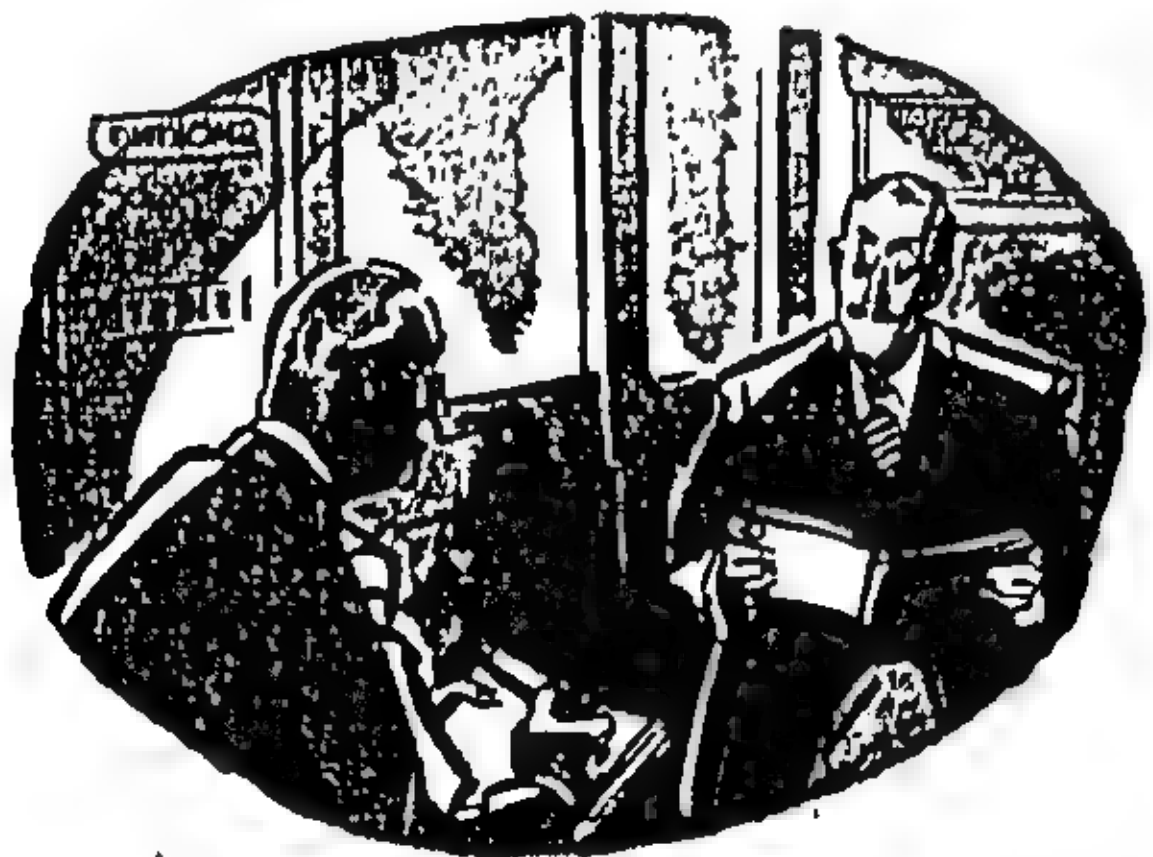
Firemen Quell Blaze In N.Y.K. Passenger Liner

Special to the "Telegraph"

KOBE, Sept. 5 (Domei).—A fire broke out in No. 2 Hold of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Haruna Maru at 11 o'clock on Wednesday morning while 4,500 tons of Bombay cotton were being unloaded.

The fire was believed to have been caused by an ignition of steel bale straps.

The fire was completely extinguished at 6 o'clock in the afternoon.



FIRST CLASS TIP

"Might I enquire, Sir, whether you have recently visited Spitzbergen or Baffin Island?"

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"Nothing to do with it."

"In that case, Sir, you will have no objection to closing that window. It is exceedingly cold, and the draught is ferocious."

"I beg your pardon, Sir. I'm terribly sorry. Fast it is a most appalling headache, and the cool air does it good."

"I attended a most enjoyable party last night, and I'm feeling much the worse for it."

"My dear fellow, why didn't you say so at first? Trouble is, it's so long

since I've had a hangover myself. I've almost forgotten the symptoms."

"Was there no Rose's Lime Juice in your corner of the Shires?"

"Afraid I don't follow you."

"Rose's Lime Juice, I said. Cures hangovers in advance. You either mix it with gin, or swallow a stiff glass solo before bed. Why, man, it's smoothed the paths of thousands."

"You're telling me that Rose's fills this long-felt want?"

"I've never known it fail."

"Then, Sir, I am deeply indebted to you. Here is my card. I trust that we shall see more of each other. Much more. Are you by any chance free to dine tonight? Wonderful how these chance encounters change the course of one's whole life."

DISHONOUR DIVIDES AN EMPIRE



Second in importance only to the British Commonwealth, France's colonial empire comprises territories in all the quarters of the world. The most important, together with metropolitan France, are marked black in this map. The Empire's area is 4,617,579 square miles and its peoples, white, black, yellow and brown, number more than 65,000,000.

Communicues

Royal Air Force Raids Continued

The following Official Communiques (received through UP, Reuter and Domei) were released yesterday.

R.A.F.: New Targets Bombed in Raids

New targets were bombed last night by Royal Air Force bombers in Germany and Italy.

British bombers attacked the dynamic works at Schleibach north-east of Cologne, St. Pierre, Daren and Genoa.

For the second successful night, British planes bombed objectives near Cologne, the Dortmund-Ems canal near the French port Lorient and the gun emplacements at Gris Nez.

GERMANS: Claims Further Sinkings, Raids

Sixty-two British aircraft were destroyed on Tuesday when Nazi planes conducted fresh stabbings assaults on the British aerodromes, ports and industrial centres.

Forty-six British planes were downed during dog fights, one was shot down by anti-aircraft fire and 15 were bombed on the ground, the communiques claimed. Ten Nazi planes were said to be missing.

During the night raid, our warplanes bombed Liverpool, Bristol, Avonmouth, Poole, Rochester, Middlesbrough, causing huge conflagrations.

A Nazi U-boat under the command of First Lieutenant Endrass which has returned from a lengthy cruise, sank six armed British merchantmen totalling 51,500 tons.

CAIRO: Ten Words Sum Up Situation

On all fronts there is nothing of importance to report.

LONDON: Widespread Raids on Germany

German objectives attacked by the R.A.F. yesterday were oil storage tanks at Muehlburg, goods yards at Hamm and Schwerdt, a blast furnace at Merzig and several Dutch and German aerodromes.

Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm operating with the Coastal Command attacked large concentrations in the Beveland Canal and at Terneuzen in the mouth of the Scheldt.

Forces of Coastal Command aircraft attacked docks.

All our aircraft returned.

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SAIGON BLACK-OUT

Special to the "Telegraph"

SINGAPORE, Sept. 4 (UP).—Passengers from Saigon by airplane to-day describe the French and Japanese delegates in Hanoi as entering an "increased huddle."

After the announcement of the Japanese ultimatum, Saigon was partially blacked out yesterday evening.

The passengers added that residents of Indo-China are very uncertain regarding the future of the colony.

Chungking Denial

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CHUNGKING, Sept. 4 (UP).—A Government spokesman to-day denied the Hongkong "China Mail" report that an agreement has been reached between Chungking and the Indo-China government concerning defence measure to be adopted in the event of a Japanese invasion of Indo-China. The spokesman termed the report a Japanese rumour and said Chungking has received no such information from Admiral Decoux.

NUFFIELD'S GIFT

£250,000 TO THE AIR FORCE BENEVOLENT FUND

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Lord Nuffield has handed a cheque for £250,000 to Lord Wakefield, Chairman of the Council of the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund, with which to found a fund to be known as the "Nuffield Endowment."

Interest from this sum will be applied to relief of all forms of distress among the dependents of R.A.F. personnel killed or incapacitated by wounds or injuries received in action.

Panama Defences To Be Strengthened

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4 (UP).—Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, disclosed to-day that the United States is negotiating for the use of the Galapagos and Cocos Islands to strengthen the defences in the Western Hemisphere.

Colonel Knox said that it was paramount to make the Panama Canal impregnable.

No Further Bases

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (UP).—After conferring with President Roosevelt, Senator John Bankhead said the United States is not contemplating the acquisition of further bases. He said that the President told him, "any more bases are out the window."

Meanwhile, the Republican members of Congress attacked the agreement charging that it violated the law when Congress was not consulted.

'Cobber's' Mother Meets King

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Mrs. Kain, mother of Flying Officer "Cobber" Kain, the New Zealand ace who was killed some months ago, to-day received from His Majesty the King at Buckingham Palace the D.F.C. medal won by her son.

Mrs. Kain and her daughter, accompanied by the High Commissioner for New Zealand, were received in private by the King.

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GARRISON SPORTS NOTES

By "Jake"

Billiards And Snooker Tournaments This Year

Qualified Referees Wanted

THOUGH BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER usually receive a minor place in the category of sport, there is, this year, a distinct promise that these indoor games will arouse a greater enthusiasm than ever.

The military tournaments will probably commence towards the end of the month, and these include, The Garrison League Championship, The Garrison Challenge Cup, The Garrison Soldiers' Club Tournament, The Amateur Billiards Championship, The Amateur Snooker Championship.

Under the leadership of Lieut. W. V. Dixon, the Royal Medical Corps—triple champions, winners of the League Championship and holders of the Garrison Challenge Cup for two successive years—have great hopes of carrying everything before them again this season.

Their brilliant victory over the Hongkong Volunteers last year at the Soldiers' Club was a feather in their cap, and the Volunteers are to make a most determined effort to recapture the trophy this year. The number and ability of the other entries this year promise a most interesting tournament.

Pte. Gordon, 2nd Bn the Royal Scots, holder of the Billiards championship, should meet stiff opposition if and when he comes against Staff-Sergeant Terrell, of the Medicoes, who is a very consistent player with a style of his own.

Snooker champion, Cpl. J. Harvey, the R.A.M.C., is confident of retaining his title, and no doubt Pte. Gordon is of the same opinion concerning his championship.

Whilst on this subject—it has been noted that entries from the Royal Artillery, for the last two seasons, have been conspicuous by their absence.—Why?

Soccer Referees

A MEMBER of the Garrison Sports Board, in referring to the recent and future friendly matches between the junior teams of the various Units, suggests it would be more to the advantage of the budding footballer to have referees of Association standard conducting and supervising the games.

At present, referees ruling these games, though purely volunteers, are not fully conversant with the rules of the game, and thereby cause some bewilderment among the players. I understand from a reliable source that Army referees, holding certificates as such, are only too willing to co-operate, and second this suggestion.

R.A.F. v. Middlesex

SATURDAY'S match between these two teams will be played off on the Shumshupo ground, and if the Air Force turn out the team they anticipated a week ago, a very good match should be seen.

Middlesex will be turning out a very strong side, in which some, if not most, of last year's players will be present. The R.A.F. will, no doubt have the services of their star centre-forward, Ho Kai-keung, who has proved beyond doubt his worth to the team.

Swimming And Water-polo

LAST week saw the annual swimming galas of the Hongkong Signal Company and the Royal Scots. The Signals' competitions were very enjoyable, and the enthusiasm shown in the novices' events is a pleasant augury of future ability. The Wireless Telegraphy Section proved their superiority, which was best exemplified in the smashing 7-0 defeat of the Rest at Water-polo.

Though the invitation events of the Royal Scots gala attracted the best from the V.R.C., the European Y.M.C.A. and the Lal Team

Inter Unit Water-polo

M'sex And R. Scots Draw In Semi-final

Four Goals Shared After Extra Time

THE SEMI-FINAL between the Royal Scots and the Middlesex in the Large Units knock-out water-polo tournament held at the Army Pool last night was a thrilling game that ended in a 2-2 draw after extra time had been played.

The second half of the game proper was very good. M'sex improved about fifty-per-cent over the first half form, and swam around their opponents who were tiring fast. Bandmaster Slater opened the scoring for the R. Scots when he swam through from the 4-yard line and lobbed the ball over Berry. Middlesex equalised about three minutes later through Ure.

The opening phases of extra time were fast, and the duel bitter. Middlesex lost one of their men for swimming over, and the Scots forged ahead when Slater swam through on his own.

The second half of the extra period was strongly contested. The R. Scots were unfortunate to concede another goal when Bandmaster Jordan was ordered from the pool for impeding a free throw. Middlesex, with one extra man, pierced the Scots defence and added the equalising goal.

IMPROVED FORM Middlesex were very impressive and showed a great improvement, especially among the forwards, who broke away whenever possible, but they lacked a parting shot. There were at least a dozen occasions on which scoring opportunities were wasted.

Ure, fullback, was the outstanding player of the fourteen in the pool. He played a great defensive game, while Middlesex's outstanding player was Freshwater, of soccer fame.

The Scots, too, threw away scoring opportunities by poor passing. On one occasion a free-throw from just outside the three-yard line to Lt. Miller, who was unmarked, fell two yards short.

Pte. Bankier, in the Scots goal, gave a superb exhibition. Cpl. Sutherland was a hard worker, but should learn to make use of his forehead. Bandmaster Jordan was another hard worker.

"D" Division Schedule

Only one game in the "D" Division of the Tennis League is scheduled for to-day. The Chinese R.C. "A" meet the Indian R.C. at Causeway Bay.

Hockey Council Meeting

A meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Hockey Association will be held this evening at 8 p.m. at the St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon.

Swimming Union, and proved among the most interesting items on the programme, the R. Scots events themselves were sufficiently interesting to have been a guarantee of the success of the evening.

Outstanding feat of the evening was no doubt that of Bandmaster Jordan in the Medley Relay race. Army swimming enthusiasts will not easily forget his effort in that event. Swimming last for H.Q. (2), he reduced his deficit of many yards and snatched victory by a couple of feet.



SIGNALS' GALA

Top: Start of the Novices, freestyle handicap race at the Hongkong Signal Company's swimming gala at the Army Pool last week. Sigmund (second from left) was the winner. Below: Sigmund McCann, winner of the diving competition.

HENRY COTTON ENROLS FOR SERVICE

LONDON.—Henry Cotton was among those who enrolled for Military Service on July 29.—Our Own Correspondent.

Cotton's golf contributions to the British Red Cross Fund through exhibition matches with fellow-professionals have now totalled over £20,000, and it is not stated whether his new duties will affect his efforts for the Fund.

V.R.C. Intra-Club Gala

Rumjahn Fails To Better Back-stroke Time

Miss V. Churn Makes Good Use Of "Butterfly" Stroke

(By "Tinker")

THOUGH the programme was somewhat drawn-out and therefore inclined to be tedious, the Victoria Recreation Club nevertheless can credit themselves with having staged another successful intra-Club gala when members met yesterday evening to compete in the finals of a series of handicap events.

Feature of the evening was an attempt by A. K. Rumjahn to improve on his best time this year for the 100 yards back-stroke. This is 71 1/5 seconds, and in yesterday's race, where-in he was paced over the four lengths by two other members, he fell 2/5 of a second over that mark, his time being 71 3/5 secs.

Handicapping was excellent. In six of the 14 events, the difference in time between first and second was less than one second and in three races one second exactly.

AMUSING CONTRAST

THE diving to a sealed handicap provided quite some amusement. It was perhaps by contrast to L. Roza Pereira, the Colony champion, who went in immediately following that A. Zimmermann and N. Jaffer were a source of much merriment. Roza Pereira has improved enormously in some of his more difficult dives of last year. His forward full twist and backward one-and-a-half somersaults called for and received great applause.

ALL TOGETHER!

THE Mixed Relay race was the event of the programme, and it seemed that every member of the V.R.C. was taking part. Five teams of ten per team kept spectators first cheering for one and then the other as the lead so continually changed hands.

And at the end of the race, the judges announced that every team had been disqualified—certain members of each of the teams having gone in before his preceding teammate had touched the wall.

Miss V. Churn returned the astonishingly good time of 10 1/2 seconds for the 25 yards breast-stroke, but she used the "butterfly" stroke. She used it well, however, and the clean forward sweep of her arms in this acknowledgedly tiring stroke was a revelation. In the men's 50 yards, R. Rocha, who signified his intention of using the "butterfly" stroke, was heavily handicapped, and it must have been with surprised disgust that on the second lap he found that his other opponent had changed over and was using that stroke too!

The evening concluded with a water-polo match in which the V.R.C. beat a South China team 3-0.

Results were: 50 yards back-stroke—A. K. Rumjahn (21); 2. J. Goiano (28 1/5); 3. A. Asado (32 1/2). 100 yards (Class A)—1. C. Silva-Netto (24 1/5); 2. J. Anderson (27 1/5); 3. J. V. Churn (34); 4. D. Weir (37 1/5). 100 yards breast-stroke—1. L. Rocha (26 1/5); 2. J. Marques (34 1/5); 3. Goiano (38 1/5); 4. C. L. Rozario (50); 5. J. M. Viera (51). Boys 50 yards—1. C. Gutierrez (37 1/5);

Major Baseball

Detroit Trounce Cleveland Indians

NEW YORK, Sept. 5 (UP).—Detroit Tigers recovered from to-day when they met the Cleveland Indians in the American Baseball League and inflicted a 7-2 defeat on the leaders of the league. New York Yankees, who occupied second place in the table, gave way to the Tigers when they were beaten by the Washington Senators 6-5.

Complete scores were:			
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R	H	E
Cleveland	2	7	3
Batteries: Ferrell, Nuyne, Himesley, Pylak.			
Detroit	7	11	2
Batteries: Rowe, Peabody.			
New York	8	10	1
Batteries: Sundra, Bremer, Murphy, Roar.			
Washington	6	10	2
Batteries: Krakaukas, Ferrell.			
Philadelphia	4	10	1
Batteries: Foster, Dean, Hayes.			
Boston	5	9	0
Batteries: Schermerhorn, Fox.			
(Eleven innings were played)			
St. Louis	4	10	0
Batteries: Harris, Swift.			
Chicago	1	8	
Batteries: Leo, Trish.			

Football Meeting

A meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association will be held on Wednesday September 11, at 8.30 p.m. in the Association's Office, Bank of Canton Building.

2. T. Lopes (28 4/5); 3. A. Remedios (32 2/5). Women's 25 yards back-stroke—1. J. Yelle (24 4/5); 2. D. Weir (28 3/5); 3. C. Rozario (32 1/5). Diving (sealed handicap)—1. C. Rozario; 2. E. M. da Roza; 3. A. A. Gutierrez. Boys 50 yards back-stroke—1. L. Rocha (26 1/5); 2. T. Lopes (33 3/5); 3. F. Monteiro (44 1/5). Women's 50 yards (Class B)—1. J. Yelle (28 1/5); 2. M. Norenska (37 1/5); 3. M. Choa (38). 50 yards (Class A)—1. C. Silva-Netto (24 1/5); 2. J. Anderson (27 1/5); 3. A. (27); 4. J. M. Remedios (27 3/5); 5. A. (28 4/5). 100 yards breast-stroke—A. Alves (35 1/5); 2. J. M. Remedios (38 2/5); 3. J. (38 4/5). Women's 25 yards breast-stroke—1. V. Churn (16 1/5); 2. D. Weir (18 1/5); 3. A. (20 4/5). 100 yards (Class B)—1. C. Rozario (27); 2. A. Soares (28 1/5); 3. F. M. Castro (29 1/5). Boys 50 yards breast-stroke—1. J. Yelle (24 4/5); 2. J. Yelle (28 3/5); 3. J. Yelle (32 1/5). Water-polo—V.R.C. beat South China 3-0. Lawrence, D. H. Taylor and L. M. Remedios scored.

League Bowls

Forecast For Saturday?

C.C.C. Beat K.B.G.C. In Postponed Match

THOUGH the sudden shower of rain that fell just around 5 p.m. yesterday washed out the singles championship matches, the postponed "A" Division lawn bowls match between Craigengower and the Kew-loom B.G.C. was completed on the former's ground, resulting in a win for the Valley team by 58 shots to 55.

The League match was one postponed through rain on August 10, when the Valley team were leading 49-48.

The Bowling Green Club are acknowledged as the team most likely to upset Craigengower in their efforts to challenge Recreio "A" for the Senior Shield. They meet again on Saturday on the Kowloon links, and in taking two points yesterday, even though by only three shots, it is perhaps a happy augury for the Valley team for the game this week-end.

On August 10, U.M. Omar's rink v. A. M. Holland's was the only game to be completed. R. Bana and J. C. Meyer were dead-locked 18-all on the 17th end, and C. S. Rossetti and A. J. Hall were also tied 17-all on the 17th end.

Yesterday, therefore, the remaining four heads of the latter two rinks were completed. Rossetti and Hall each added four shots to their previous total and once again tied 21-all, but R. Bana scored five to Meyer's three, and thus won 23-21.

Scores were: A. A. Razack, A. K. Ismail, K. M. Omar, U. M. Omar beat W. Walker, H. Spring, A. Hyde-Lay, A. M. Holland 14-13.

W. Hong Sling, L. C. R. Souza, J. S. Landolt, S. Rossetti tied with R. P. Phillips, H. White, L. Guy, A. J. Hall 21-21.

J. W. Leonard, A. M. Omar, A. E. Cooke, R. Bana beat J. W. Deacon, C. Wallis, J. C. Gill, J. G. Meyer 23-21.

To-day's Programme

Matches in the Open Singles lawn bowls championship to-day are:

AT KOWLOON F.C.

B. A. Mancev v. J. N. Wong

AT KOWLOON B.G.C.

H. F. Harper v. Y. H. Tang

H. Overly v. W. Ward

AT KOWLOON DOCKS

J. F. Ribeiro v. T. A. Madar

Tennis

Elwood Cooke

Eliminates W. C. Choy

From U.S. Championships

FOREST HILLS New York, Sept. 3 (Reuter).—Elwood Cooke, runner-up to Bobby Riggs in the Wimbledon Singles final last year, beat W. C. Choy, the Chinese Davis Cup player, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2, in the second round of the American tennis championships to-day.

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THE SEPTEMBER RACE MEETING originally scheduled for Sunday, the Eighth of September, has been postponed to SUNDAY, the FIFTEENTH of SEPTEMBER.

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ETC. ETC. ETC.

NANCY



SERIOUS DISORDERS IN TRANSYLVANIA

BUCHAREST, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—It is now revealed that last night's disorders, following which M. Gigurtu's Cabinet resigned, were far more serious than at first supposed.

News from the provinces shows that resistance to the Vienna award is far from dead in Transylvania, where shooting is reported to have occurred at several places yesterday.

The Italian Consulate at Cluj is reported to be completely wrecked by demonstrations, and the Consul's life was saved through the intervention of the Police.

Violent Demonstrations
There were also violent demonstrations outside the Italian Consulate at Timisoara, which is also stated to have been destroyed. The Consul was man-handled.

There were similar incidents at Oradea.

An Iron Guard leader boldly admitted to-day that his organization has "re-embarked on revolutionary activities as from September 1."

Last night's unsuccessful attempt to seize key points in Bucharest is evidently part of these activities.

Raiders Need Protection

Nazis Up Against It

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—There have been some changes in dispositions during the last fortnight to meet the intensification of enemy onslaught but the first line fighter defence over the south-east coast remains as tough and as thrustful as ever it was.

This is illustrated by the sharp increase during the past week in the number of enemy raiders to-day were detected leaving the French coast. British fighters went to meet them and a fight occurred well out at sea.

Knox Defends Anglo-American Deal Lavish Expenditure On New U.S. Bases

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the U.S. Navy, told Pressmen to-day that \$25,000,000 will be spent immediately to prepare the air and naval base sites leased from Britain.

SOVIET-HUNGARY TRADE PACT

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—It is announced in Moscow that a Soviet-Hungarian trade pact has been signed, providing a turnover of near £1,000,000 in the first year on either side.

Soviet Russia will import from Hungary railway parts, oil pipes and the like while Hungary will take timber, cotton, manganese and chrome ores.

Japan Withdraws From Rotary International

TOKYO, Sept. 4 (UP).—The Joint Committee of the Japan and Manchukuo Rotary Club has decided to dissolve all the 47 local chapters and to withdraw from the Rotary International.

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Here is a delightful study of a little Hongkong girl, now "somewhere in England", who gives a smart quarter deck salute as she dons her daddy's tunic, which reaches almost to her feet, and plants the hat on her head at the approved rakish angle.

More Officers Needed For Big British Army

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Owing to the constant expansion of the Army, which is now 1,500,000 strong (excluding the Home Guard numbering some 1,300,000) and which will become 2,000,000 strong in the coming winter, the War Office has announced a new scheme to help obtain the large numbers of young officers required with scientific and mathematical qualifications for the Engineers, Artillery and Signals.

The scheme is open to 1,200 young men every six months, aged 18, who will be trained at selected universities at Government expense.

After passing examinations, the candidates will serve three or four months in the ranks, then will have six months at a university before joining the Officer Cadet Training Unit.

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Dominion Office announces that a further contingent of Newfoundland Royal Artillerymen arrived in England this morning.

Canadian Pilot's Dare-Devilry

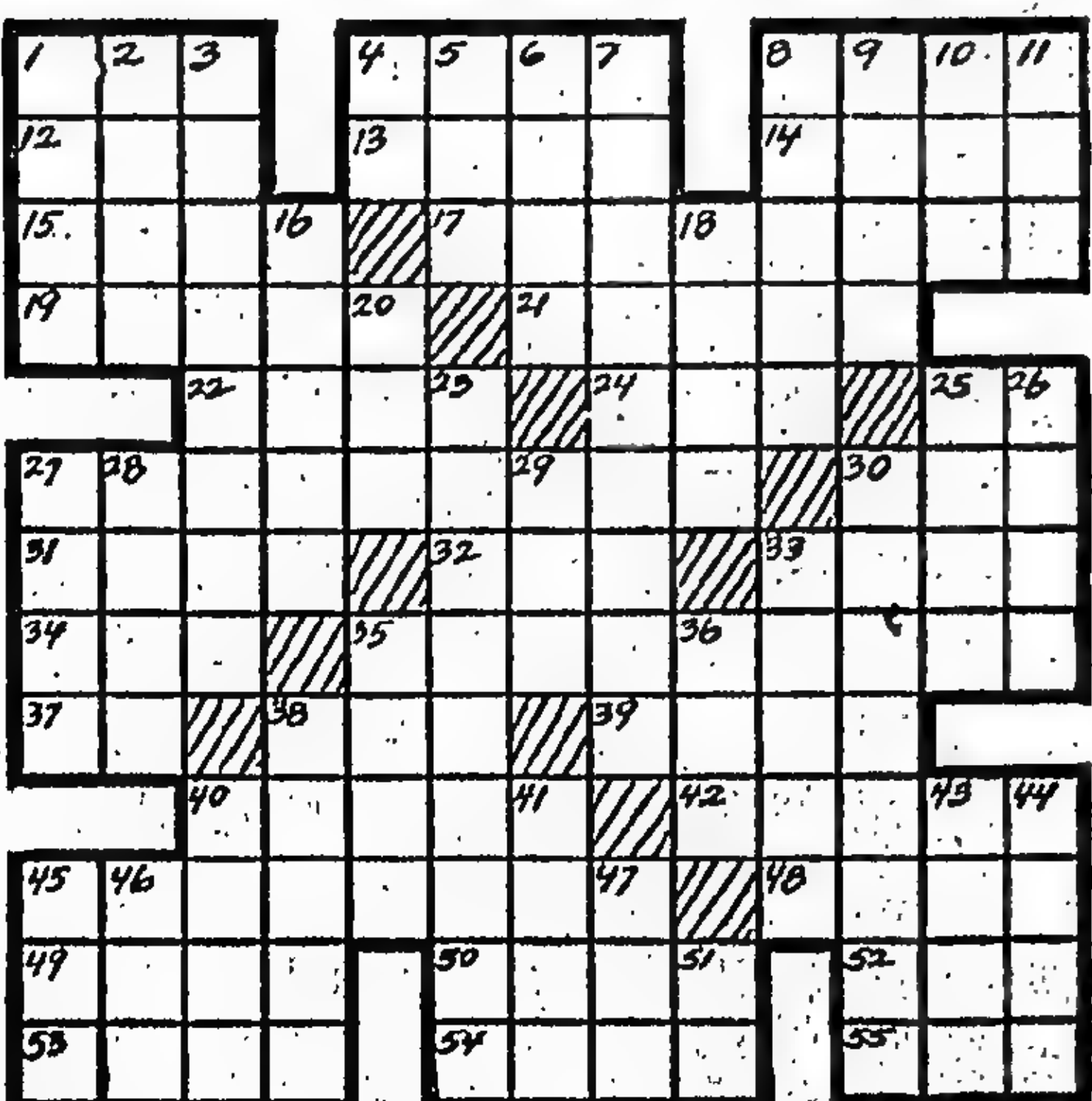
LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The dare-devilry of a Canadian pilot in a recent raid on Germany is revealed to-day.

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Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- 1—Headland (South Africa)
 - 2—Daisy
 - 3—Soy testing
 - 4—Period of time
 - 5—Satisfy to full
 - 6—Treatment
 - 7—Good time
 - 8—Unhappy
 - 9—Two-dimensional surface
 - 10—Particular to ethical behavior
 - 11—Distinct with sediment
 - 12—Tear apart
 - 13—Festulent
 - 14—Glorious symbol
 - 15—Word (French)
 - 16—Exercise right of ballot
 - 17—Portuguese coin
 - 18—Chain played on horoback
 - 19—Devoiced
 - 20—Metron
 - 21—French article
 - 22—Order
 - 23—Belgian canal, scene of recent battle
 - 24—Gleeful prickle
 - 25—Chain-like insect
 - 26—Went over again
 - 27—Of great height
 - 28—Sagittally excited
 - 29—Drumlike snail
 - 30—Of no importance
- DOWN
- 1—Kind of seaweed
 - 2—By word of mouth
 - 3—That which time off another
 - 4—Thrive
 - 5—Particular entry
 - 6—Abnormally shaped part
 - 7—Palm (col.)
 - 8—Chinese monetary unit
 - 9—Raw metal
 - 10—Post-like organ
 - 11—Sharp weapon
 - 12—Great lake
 - 13—In English, 48 inches
 - 14—Dandelion
 - 15—South American tree
 - 16—On highest point
 - 17—Zig-zag
 - 18—Routine
 - 19—Famous bridge
 - 20—Having marshy properties
 - 21—Fold in garment
 - 22—Order of Bah-like uniforms
 - 23—Poisonous snake
 - 24—Kind of snail
 - 25—Unsurprised
 - 26—Pen-name of Charles Lamb
 - 27—Unite by treaty
 - 28—Male sheep
 - 29—Self
 - 30—Kind of bird
 - 31—United States (abbr.)



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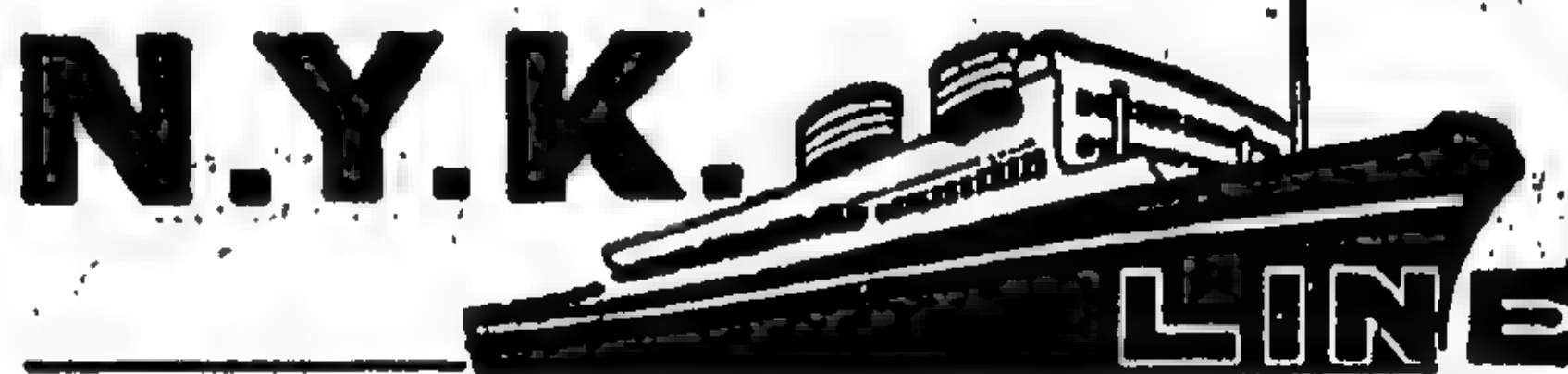
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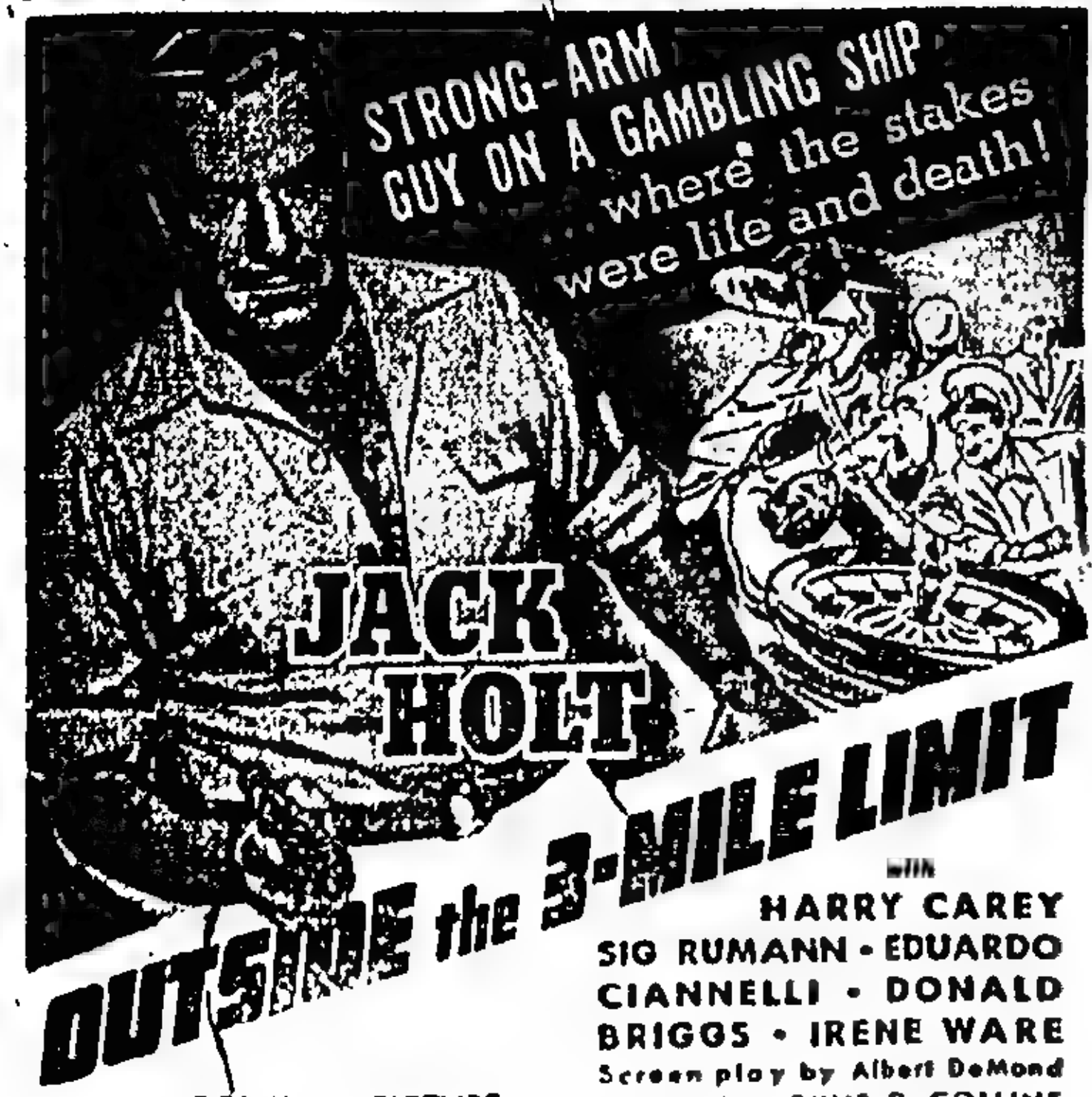
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HITLER ADMITS "LONG WAR"

FROM PAGE ONE

to Goering, "Prepare everything for five years."
"We did not act this way because I believed the war would last five years."
"Come what may, Britain will collapse. I know no other end but this one."
"When the people in Great Britain ask: 'Why don't you come?' we reply, 'Calm yourselves. We shall come.'"
"The world will be set free. Once and for all we must do away with the absurd state of affairs that one nation is in a position at its own sweet will to blockade an entire continent."

He Hates Our Navy

"In future it must be made impossible for a pirate state at its own sweet will, every now and again, to expose over 450,000,000 people more or less to poverty and misery."
"I consider it intolerable that a nation of 85,000,000 should be punished body and soul by another nation which in its places some plutocratic authority."
After referring to his last "appeal to reason," Hitler said: "I prefer to fight till a definite and final decision is reached."

Prepared For Everything

Hitler continued: "This final decision will be that the rule of pitiable and dishonourable warmongers is abolished and a state of affairs introduced in which it will be impossible for one nation to tyrannise over the whole of Europe."

"Germany and Italy will see to it that history never repeats itself in this respect and England's allies will not be able to help her here whatever they may plan."

"We are prepared for everything. We have the will and the determination to act at any time."

"Above all, nothing can make us afraid. We German National Socialists have been schooled in the hardest school imaginable. Nothing can intimidate or surprise us."

Hitler proceeded to say that the general revolution in Germany hoped for by England when she entered the war did not take place. Then England said they had "another ally" - General Hunger.

"We knew in advance that the great friend of humanity, as in the Great War, would attempt to starve women and children and we had prepared ourselves for it. Thus this 'General' was only a bad speculation."

"Now they have discovered a third General, namely, General Winter. The British should not forget to take their most important general to the rank of Field Marshal of the Empire. I mean 'General Bluff'."

"That is their only reliable ally. They cannot beat us any longer with this 'General'. Therefore, we can perhaps make fools of the British."

"The German people have now got really to know Great Britain. The British will not win this war by this method and others are, thank God, in our hands and will remain in our hands."

"When the hour has come, we shall place General Field in place of General Hunger. Revolution, Winter or Bluff and then we shall see who is the better man."

"Explains" R.A.F. Raids

Hitler declared that the R.A.F. had bombed Germany at night because they were unable to fly over in day. He said the British dropped bombs indiscriminately on civilian residential quarters, farms and villages.

For three months, he did not reply because he believed they would stop. But Churchill saw in this sign a German "weakness," so the Germans are now giving their answer night after night.

"We shall stop the handwork of these night pirates. The hour will strike when one of us will break and that will not be National Socialist Germany."

"The opponent who still remains to-day, Great Britain, the last island in Europe, will be broken."

Hitler declared that Britain hated the Germans "because of our social creed, because all that we plan and carry out seems dangerous to them. I am convinced that the world and the future will cling to this development and that the states which do not join this development will collapse sooner or later."

Hitler, referring to British air raids on Germany, said, "If the British Air Force drops two or three or four thousand kilogramme bombs, then we shall now in one night drop 150, 180, 230, 300, 400 thousand kilogrammes (prolonged cheering). And if they declare that they will intensify their attacks on our cities, we shall blot their cities out."

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REPORTS CONFLICT

Speculation Rife On Indo-China

Saloon, Sept. 4.
Tension, following the rejection of Japanese demands for permission to send troops through Indo-China, is rife throughout the Colony. Owing to the strictest censorship it is impossible to discover for certain what is happening or what the immediate future holds in store.

It would appear, however, that the die has now been cast for, despite the open rejection of Japan's demands, negotiations between the Japanese and Indo-China authorities continue—in an outwardly friendly and rational manner.

Major-General Nishihara, head of the Japanese Inspectorate in Indo-China, remains on Indo-China roll.

Optimism In Tokyo

Reiterating that he had not been informed of the alleged revolt in Indo-China, Mr. Yoshida, Sumo, the Foreign Office spokesman, to-day expressed the hope that everything was "quiet and well-managed" in the French Colony despite rumours to the contrary.

He hoped that matters will be smoothed out in a few days' time, the spokesman said. Questioned regarding the negotiations with the Pétain Government, the spokesman disclosed that they were "progressing" though the final stage has not yet been reached.

Parleys In Progress

Hanoi, Sept. 4.
General Nishihara and Admiral Decoux are still holding conferences and peaceful settlement is expected shortly. French military leave has been cancelled. A Japanese destroyer and steamer are stationed at Haiphong, allegedly for the purpose of picking up the frontier inspectors in the event of an emergency.

The censorship is apparently being relaxed. The reference to the peaceful settlement is regarded as an indication of an agreement whereby the French will submit to the Japanese demands for the passage of troops.—United

Pearl River Indicator

Shanghai, Sept. 4.
Uneasiness over the situation in Indo-China has been heightened by the action of the Japanese in again closing the Pearl River.

Messages from Chungking indicate that Chinese forces are concentrated on the frontiers of Indo-China, ready to go into action at a moment's notice.

According to Chinese reports from Indo-China the people there are organising petitions for a firm stand against Japan.—Reuter.

LATE NEWS

BARRAGE BEATS NAZI PLANES:

FROM PAGE ONE

comprise 20 bombers and fighters and were quickly dispersed. British fighters suffered no loss.

Raid On Kent
Only two small formations of about 200 enemy aircraft managed to pierce the defences on the coast of Kent when a raid was made shortly after mid-day.

The raiders were met by anti-aircraft gunfire and fighters, and most of them were driven back over the coast.

Of those that pierced the defences one flew inland and dropped bombs on industrial premises, causing some damage and a number of casualties, some of which were fatal.

Another formation passed over Kent to the Thames estuary and dropped bombs on a Medway town. Some houses were damaged. There were a few casualties but no fatalities were reported.

Elsewhere in the south-east, bombs were dropped in a few scattered areas. Damage was caused to a number of shops and dwelling houses.

Terrific Barrage
From the northern heights, a terrific anti-aircraft barrage was seen to the southward and eastward, and searchlights were unceasingly active. The sky was speckled with flashes of bursting shells.

A number of flares were seen floating slowly to earth.

The Air Ministry communique announcing the destruction of 45 enemy planes to-day adds that eleven of our aircraft were lost but the pilots of five of these are safe.

Another air raid warning was sounded in the London area at 6.03 p.m. G.M.T.

Reports up to 7 p.m. showed that 45 enemy planes, of which 33 were bombers or fighter-bombers, had been destroyed by our fighters.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says: A further slight improvement was registered in prices to-day, but with trading limited to the morning the turnover was small.

11.50 Banks \$12.25
Unions Ins. \$37.5
H.K. Fire Ins. \$145
Doors (Old) \$19.50
Doors (New) \$19.50
Providents \$4.05
Hotels \$3.45
Lands \$29.00
Humphreys \$9.15
Realtors \$1.25
Times \$15.55
Star Perrier \$37.50
Yatmen Perrier \$21.50
China Lights (Old) \$3.05
China Lights (New) \$3.05
Telephones (Old) \$22
Telephones (New) \$21.10
Cement \$18.75
Dairy Farms \$17.75
Watsons \$8.00
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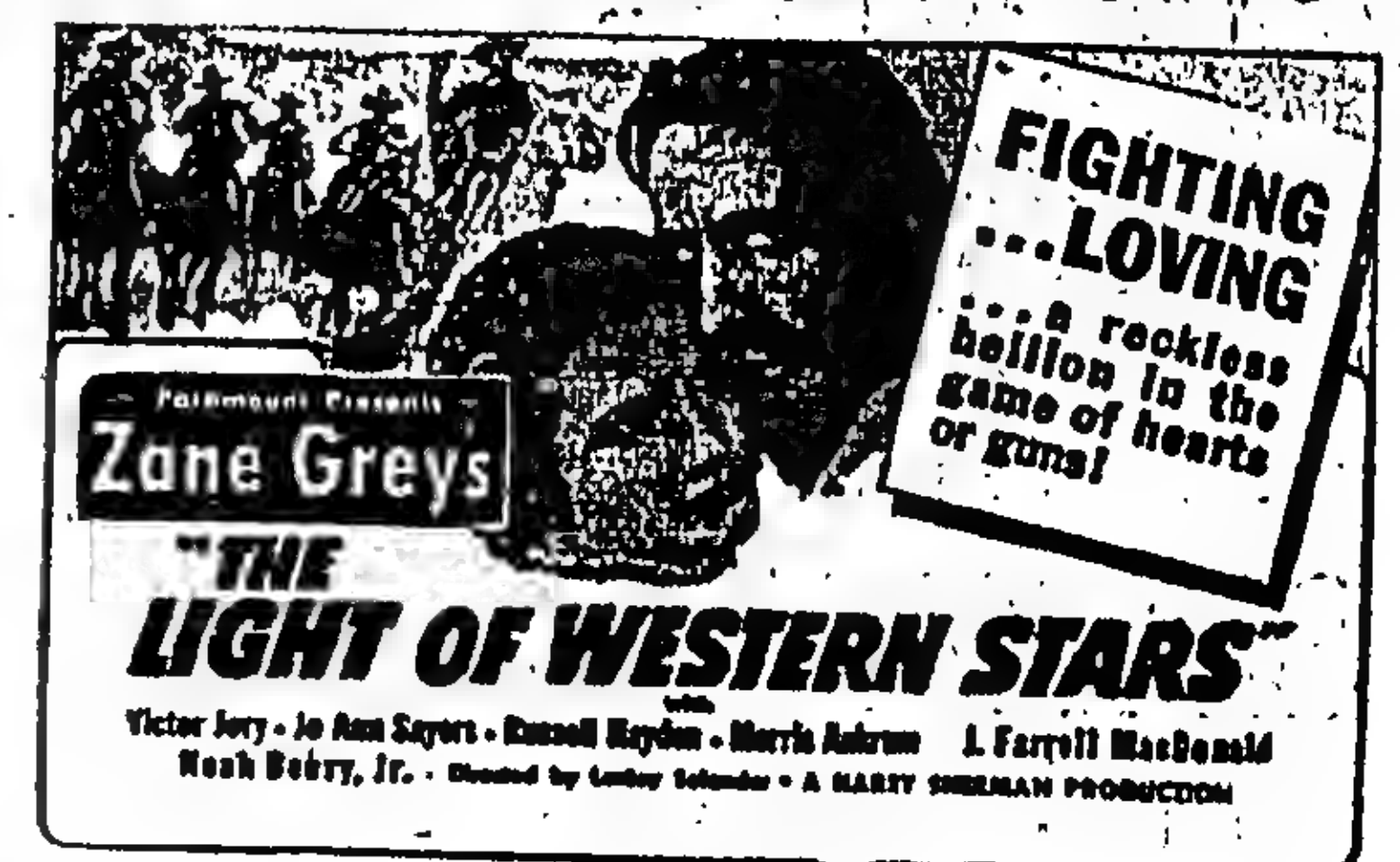
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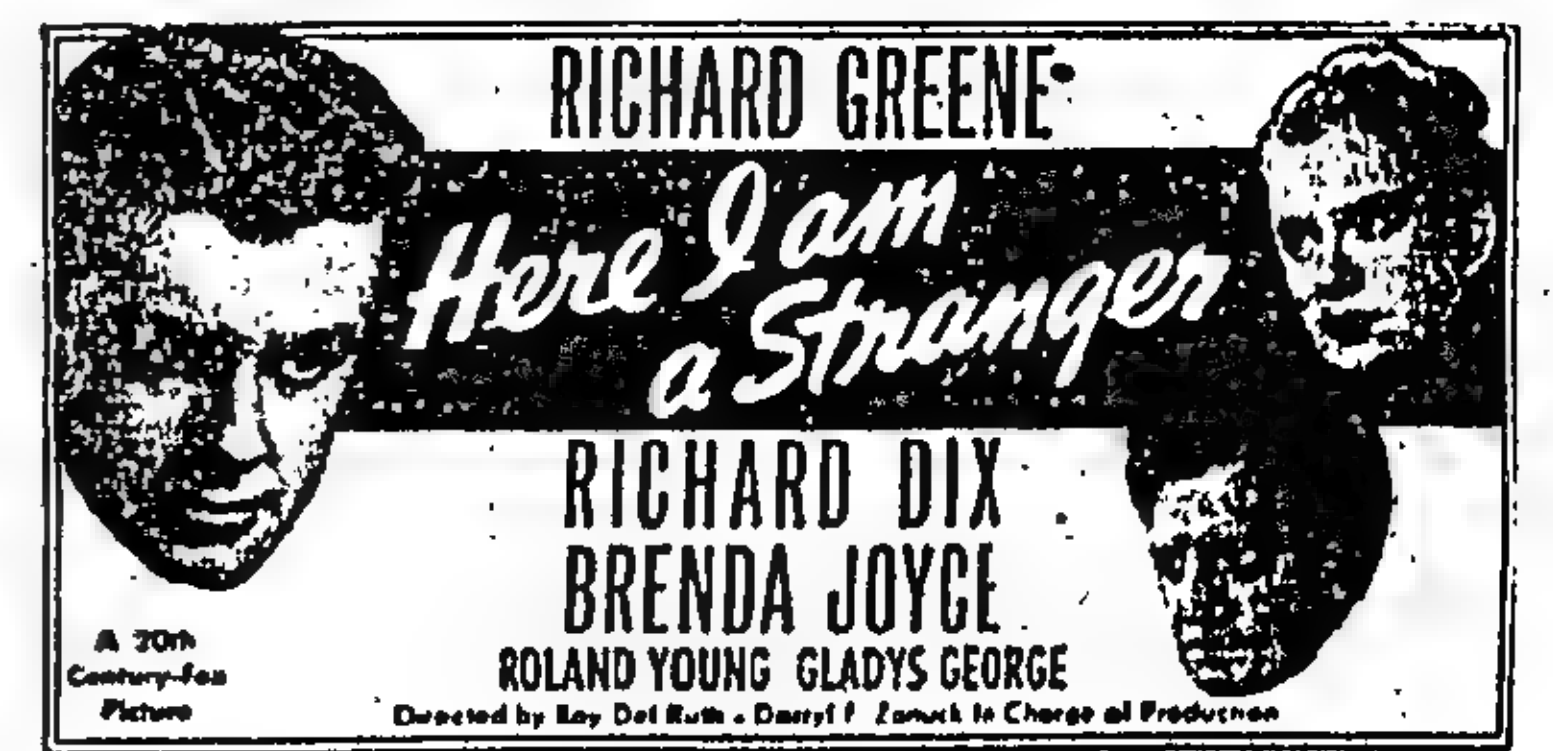
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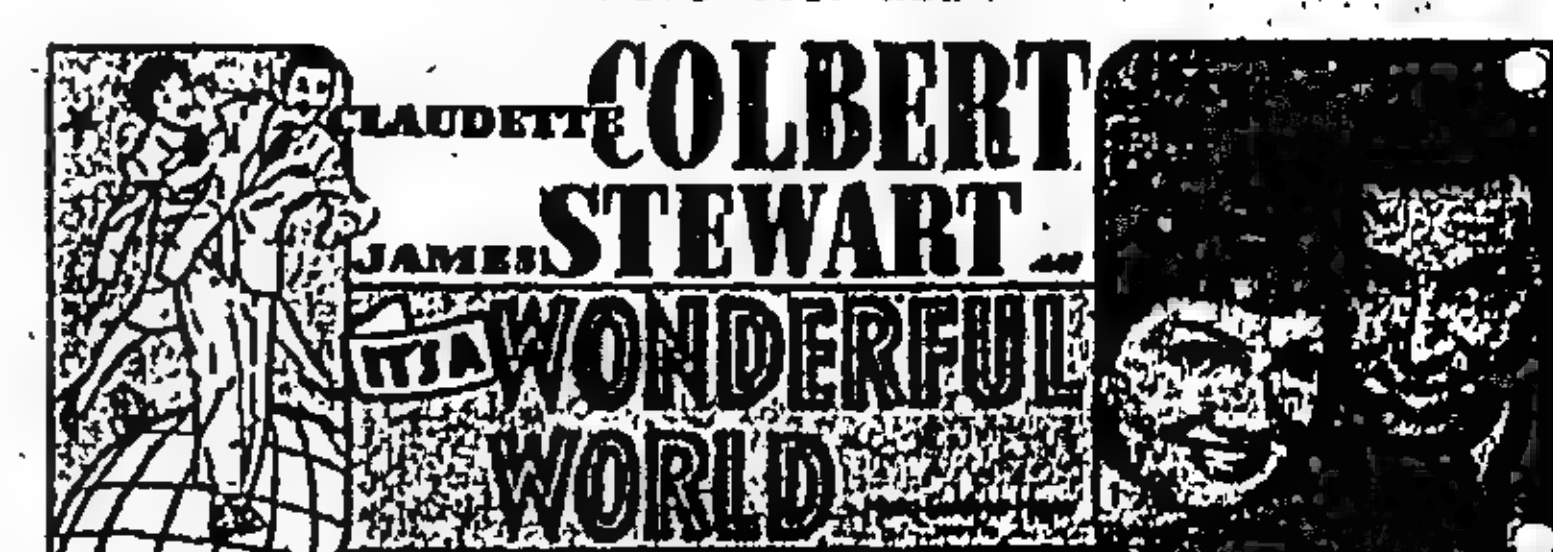
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AMERICA WARNS JAPAN AGAINST INVADING FRENCH INDO-CHINA

U.S. STANDS PAT ON REFUSAL TO GIVE UP SECTORS

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 4 (UP). — THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO-DAY PUBLICLY NOTIFIED JAPAN THAT AMERICA IS CLOSELY WATCHING EVERY JAPANESE MOVE WHICH MIGHT AFFECT INDO-CHINA OR THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, also revealed that the United States is standing pat on her refusal to permit the Japanese to take over all the Shanghai defence sectors.

He said that the conference in Shanghai was still being continued, but that no agreement had been reached.

EFFECT ON PUBLIC OPINION

Regarding Indo-China, Mr. Cordell Hull said that the situation there was a "matter to which the United States attaches importance."

He added, however, that as yet the United States had not received confirmation of the report that the Japanese had delivered an ultimatum to the Indo-China Government.

He declared that the State Department was "reluctant to give credence to the report, but should events prove them to be well founded, the effect on public opinion in the United States would be unfortunate."

Vichy Denial

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, Sept. 4 (UP). — The Petain Government to-day published an official denial to the report that the Franco-Japanese negotiations principally concerning Indo-China have been interrupted.

On the contrary, the conversations are continuing for the purpose of reaching an agreement in establishing mutual interests in the Far East.

4 P.M. REPORTS

WALL OF FLAME

London Barrage Greatest Yet

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Sept. 4 (UP). — The wall of flame which London's anti-aircraft defences flung around the metropolis to-day succeeded in preventing the enemy from invading the city areas.

The fire from the arches was the most intense London has seen or heard during the war.

Although London remained protected, a town in the south-east suffered the worst raid of the war, when a big formation of German planes attempting unsuccessfully, to break the outer London defences, jettisoned its bombs.

The intense A.A. barrage forced the Germans to turn back and rather than carry their bombs with them they loosened them haphazardly, most of them detonating on the residential sector where many houses were demolished.

A fire, started by an incendiary bomb was quickly quelled.

Roaring motors and distant gunfire warned the residents shortly afterwards that another attack was likely as this message was being despatched.

French Coast Bombed

The Royal Air Force meanwhile bombed the French coast for the third time to-night, the violent explosions across the Channel rocking houses in south-east coast towns.

Bursting bombs, anti-aircraft batteries, turned to Page 8, Column Three

FREE FRENCHMEN RALLY TO THE ALLIES



They Won't Surrender

WITH THE first shock of the shameful betrayal by their leaders over, more and more Frenchmen are rallying to the Allied cause, determined to re-gain for their Motherland the freedom and honour surrendered to Hitler by Petain.

Two of these photographs were taken in London, show Free Frenchmen—soldiers and sailors—marching through the streets. The other photograph is of a French battleship which, manned by French officers and crew, is now serving with the British Navy.

BRITISH GUNS GO INTO ACTION

Special to the "Telegraph"

AT A SOUTHEAST COAST TOWN, Sept. 4 (UP). — British long-range guns went into action across the Channel this afternoon, sending over several heavy shells which were followed a minute later by severe concussions from the Calais area.

According to a "Domei" report, the bombardment lasted for two hours late in the night.

As the terrific explosions shook the English side of the Channel, the flashes of bursting shells and flares could be seen lighting up the coast line in the region of Calais and Boulogne.

Shelling of the French coast by long-range guns coincided with fierce attacks by the R.A.F. on advanced Nazi air bases, principally in the Calais region.

(Domest and United Press Messages.)

BARRAGE BEATS NAZI PLANES: 41 MORE DOWN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Continued German attempts to break down Britain's aerial defences yesterday not only failed, but cost the invaders 41 planes, say "United Press" reports from London.

Up to 3.45 p.m. yesterday the Nazis had lost 41 machines to British fighters, while only five defending planes were brought down.

The London area had several warnings, the second following the approach of planes at such a height that they were invisible from the ground and only the faint sounds of machine-gun fire and cannonading could be heard.

A fierce anti-aircraft barrage over a town on the southern side of the Thames Estuary was the first indication that German planes were in the vicinity.

The barrage came round in a great circle over a town on the north bank of the Estuary, then inland and then back again towards the river.

No bombs were dropped in the Estuary areas.

During a short but sharp battle over a south-east coast town five German machines were brought down.

Two crashed into the sea and three inland.

The German force appeared to TURN to Page 8, Column Three

—As R.A.F. Continues Mass Raids On Reich

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Sept. 4 (UP). — The Royal Air Force made extensive and intensive raids both over Germany and France to-day.

Twenty R.A.F. bombers attacked military objectives concealed in German forests in the Harz mountains and in the Gruenwald forests, north of Berlin.

Many fires were started which later caused explosions.

Other aircraft carried out reconnaissance flights over an area of the Black Forest east of Baden-Baden, where fires had been started by our bombers the previous night and were found still to be blazing.

Other forces of R.A.F. bombers attacked electric power stations, lighting installations and an armament factory near Berlin.

Le Touquet Bombed

The day's operations over France opened with an attack by several bombers on the Le Touquet aerodrome where high explosives were dropped on the landing field.

Later, our aircraft maintained the attack and the pilot of one machine saw six separate fires at the aerodrome.

Another squadron bombed the Sen Tomer aerodrome and scored hits on the landing field which were followed by explosions.

The Marek aerodrome at Calais was attacked first at 12.15 and then at 1 a.m. Another raid bombed the airfield at Guines, southeast of Calais.

Further inland, two raiders bombed the Abbeville airport and R.A.F. bombers made a series of attacks and counter-attacks on the advanced striking bases of the German air force in the Pas de Calais area.

MINESWEEPER LOST

SMALL VESSEL HITS GERMAN MINE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 4 (UP). — It was officially announced by the Admiralty to-day that the minesweeper trawler Loyola of 248 tons, had been sunk by an enemy mine.

It is admitted that there were some casualties, but their number is not stated.

LOAN RUMOUR DENIED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (UP). — Mr. Warren Piersen, President of the Export-Import Bank, to-day declared that he had no knowledge of a loan reported to have been made through the efforts of Mr. T. V. Soong.

Other departments of the bank also admitted ignorance.

LATEST

BERLIN, Sept. 4 (UP). — The District Leader, Herr Robert Wagner, has decreed that the official language in Alsace must be German.

Persons and companies with French names may apply to have their names officially changed to German. Inscriptions on tomb stones must also be in German.

See Back Page For Further Late News

HITLER'S HATRED

Forces Vichy To End Relations with Dutch

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter). — It is officially announced in London that from to-morrow diplomatic relations between the Netherlands and France will be suspended.

A few weeks ago the Government informed the Netherlands Minister at Vichy that they were compelled to take steps to this effect.

Subsequently the Netherlands Government were informed that diplomatic relations would come to an end on September 6.

The decision of the Petain Government to break relations with Holland is regretted in authoritative Dutch circles.

It is pointed out that relations with France have remained courteous and friendly since the Franco-German armistice and it is felt that the Petain Government is acting only under strong German pressure.

It is suggested that the presence of the Netherlands Legation, enjoying the usual diplomatic privileges and especially freedom to inform their Government by confidential means of the situation in France, could evidently no longer be tolerated.

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H.K. Banks (Lon.)	65 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	65 1/2 n.
Chartered	0-5/16 n.
Mercantile	28 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. & L.	11 1/2 n.
East Asia	72 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton	210 n.
Union	37 1/2 n.
China Underwriters	10 cts. n.
H.K. Fire	143 b.
SHIPPING	
Douglases	110 b.
Steamboats	11 n.
Indo-China P. S.	100 n.
Indo-China D. S.	80 n.
Shell (Steamers) s/-	35/7 1/2 n.
Waterboats	0 00 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	87 1/2 n.
Docks (old)	16 1/2 n.
Docks (new)	16 b.
Provisions	4/4 20 n.
Sham Dockyard	35 n.
MINING	
Kailan s/-	15 n.
Ruhs	0 55 n.
H.K. Mines	2 1/2 n.
LANDS	
Hotels	3 45 b.
Land	30 n.
Land, 4% Debentures	100 n.
Sham Land	12 n.
Humphreys	0 05 n.
H.K. Realities	3 20 b.
Chinese Estates	10 1/2 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	15 00 n.
Peak Trams (old)	7 40 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3 70 n.
Star Ferries	37 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries	21 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	6 70 n.
China Lights (new)	3 00 n.
H.K. Electric (old)	37 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	30 40 n.
Macao Electric (old)	17 50 n.
Macao Electric (new)	11 n.
Sundown Light	11 n.
Telephones (old)	23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	0 1/2 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	Sh. 14 00 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	Sh. 12 00 n.
Canton Ice	15 00 n.
Concretes	15 00 n.
H.K. Ropes	5 n.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms	17 1/2 n.
Watsons	8 00 n.
Lane Crawford	7 45 n.
Sincere	2 15 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	30 n.
Powell Ltd.	1 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Fwo Sh	41 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	210 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Govt. 4%	99 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934)	95 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940)	95 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S.Bds.	35 n.
H. K. Entertainments	0 00 n.
Constructions (old)	1 00 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	0 8 n.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.)	s/- 8/0 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.)	s/- 4/0 n.

Following are sales and bid prices:
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Atok	15 1/2	15 1/2
Antamok	15 1/2	15 1/2
Baguio Gold	14 1/2	14 1/2
Baguio	0 07	0 07
Benquet Cons.	Unq.	0 30 n.
Big Wedge	11 1/2	11 1/2
Coco Grove	0 04	0 04
Cons. Mining	0 02	0 02
Demonstration	0 02	0 02
East Mind	0 07	0 07
K. K. Cons.	24	24
Ipo Gold	Unq.	0 04
Ilogon Mining	18	18
Mambulo Cons.	Unq.	0 04
Mabute Cons.	0 04	0 04
Mind. Motherlode	0 04	0 04
Mine Operations	0 04	0 04
North Camarines	Unq.	0 04
Paracale Gumaus	16 1/2	16 1/2
San Mauricio	30	30
Surigao Cons.	17	16 1/2
Supoc Cons.	20 1/2	20 1/2
Syndicate Inv.	Unq.	0 04
United Paracale	16 1/2	16 1/2

ITALY AROUSED
U.S. ACTION TANTAMOUNT
TO WAR, SAYS ROME
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, Sept. 4 (Domei).—America's action in presenting Britain with fifty destroyers is tantamount to American involvement in the European War.
This comment was made by authoritative Fascist circles to-day.
"The Axis Power must consider the action of the United States with gravity," the spokesman said.

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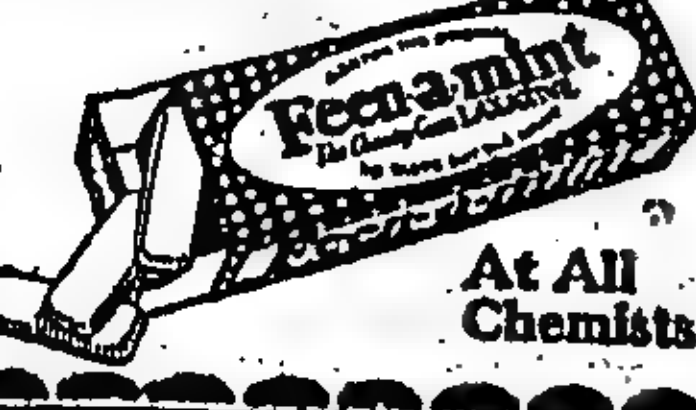
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KING PRAISES HEROISM OF POLISH AIRMEN

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The heroism of the Polish army, navy and air force and the "stirring feats of Polish airmen in the air battles over England" are praised in a telegram sent by the King to M. Raczewicz, President of the Polish Republic.

This telegram was sent in acknowledgment of a message from President Raczewicz on the first anniversary of Britain's entry into the war.

The Polish Government expressed admiration "for the great British nation which in concert with her sister nations of the Empire bears without shrinking an immense weight of responsibilities contracted for the safety of Christian civilisation, menaced by a tide of barbarism."

The Polish President, in his message, also expressed a conviction that the "day is near when, thanks to the common effort of the British Empire and their allies, the world will be liberated from the tyranny now menacing it."

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8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 A Variety Programme.

8.50 Studio—Weekly Newsletter.

9.00 Dance Music.

9.00 London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.

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10.0 An hour of Dance Music.

11.0 Close down.

"TOMMY-GUNS" FOR THE ARMY



MEN of a famous Guards Regiment training with the sub-machine gun made famous in the United States by gangsters. It can be used from the hip or from the shoulder.

Examining Sites For New American Bases

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—American experts have already begun a preliminary inspection and examination of some of the sites for air and naval bases which Britain is leasing to the United States in Newfoundland, Bermuda, West Indies and British Guiana.

Arrangements are being made for the first meeting of the Joint Committee representing both sides of the deal. There are still minor points to be settled.

Plans for handing over the 50 destroyers are well advanced. The first 12 have already arrived at

U.S. public applauds deal with British Empire

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—"Hitler can find out for himself when they leave, where they are and anything else about them as far as I am concerned."

So declared Mr. Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's secretary, when questioned by reporters concerning the movements of the destroyers destined for Britain.

Mr. Early added that the President was pleased with the public reaction to the agreement.

Out of several hundred telegrams received at the White House, less than a dozen opposed the deal.

Rumanian Army Disintegrating? King Carol Appoints A Soldier-Premier

BUCHAREST, Sept. 4 (UP).—Considerable speculation has been aroused in Rumania by the action of King Carol in charging General Antonescu to form a Government.

Everybody is wondering what General Antonescu's policy will be towards Transylvania.

It is pointed out that the new Premier is a rightist and a warm friend of M. Condreanu of the "Iron Guard."

It is reported in military circles that four Generals were behind the abortive attempt at a coup.

Another report says that M. Mainu, leader of the Peasants Party, is arriving in the capital this afternoon. Last night's incident at the Royal Palace is expected to slow up the demobilisation of the Rumanian army, at least temporarily.

Army Disintegrated

A report from Cluj says that there is increasing evidence that the Rumanian army's resistance is cracking following the withdrawal of the 10th and 17th divisions.

According to the General Staff the 6th army corps has already been withdrawn from Cluj.

However, reports are being received that officers continue to disobey orders.

Colonel Strati, a hero of the world war, refused to withdraw his regiment from the trenches between Oradea Mare and Satu Mare.

It is understood that when Bucharest ordered the evacuation of the Colonel's regiment by force there followed a fight with rifle bullets, but no shooting occurred.

It is also reported that Colonel Strati has sent his string of medals to the King.

Reds Seize Opportunity

It is stated that when Hungarian soldiers in the Rumanian army demanded their discharge the Communists chose the occasion for a demonstration at Brasov. Iron Guards came to the scene and shooting lasted an hour, machine-guns being used.

The railway service between Oradea Mare and Cluj has been suspended.

Two high Rumanian officers were

WITHDRAWAL OF ULTIMATUM

Indo-China Situation

SAIGON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—It is confirmed that the ultimatum has been withdrawn.

Discussions are continuing.

Japanese Consuls have cancelled their orders for evacuation of Japanese subjects.

Air Bases For Destroyers

Washington Reactions

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—When the House of Representatives was convened this afternoon, members' comments on the destroyer transfer varied from "clearly an act of war" to "a damned good job."

The debate was short, sharp and inconclusive.

Speaker William Bankhead, who had an interview with President Roosevelt, set at rest newspaper rumours that negotiations for West Indian bases with the Netherlands or with General de Gaulle might be impending by stating:

"That is out of the window. There is nothing more in sight about any more bases, I am authorised to say."

POPE'S PRAYER CRUSADE

Vatican City, Sept. 4.

The Pope made his 25th appeal for peace to-day when he exhorted Catholic action to spread the Gospel throughout the world. Vatican circles regard the speech as launching a prayer crusade in which Christian principles will replace diplomatic efforts towards peace.—United Press.

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THE 'BAD MAN' TELLS WHY HE HASN'T TRIED HIS VENTURE

Argentine Golfers Want To "Adopt" Children Evacuees

Special to the "Telegraph"
LONDON, Sept. 5 (UP).—Argentina's famous golfer, Senor Jose Jurado, has cabled the British Professional Golfers' Association on behalf of its Argentine counterpart, offering to adopt ten British evacuee children for the duration of the war.

The children will receive British education and will be cared for by British doctors and nurses.

HITLER MISSED HIS CHANCE

—Churchill

Special to the "Telegraph"
LONDON, Sept. 5 (UP).—"We in these islands are now hearing the accumulated weight of the enemy. But we don't feel overwhelmed by it."

So spoke the Premier, Mr. Winston Churchill, to-day when he addressed New Zealand troops at a camp "somewhere in England."

"When you first came here four months ago," he continued, "a comparatively small army of invaders might have wrought much havoc before it was finished off."

"Now, however, we have very powerful armies."

"If some people think that the 'Bad Man' is still inclined to try his venture, we feel sure we will give a good account of ourselves."

"Of all the wars we have fought, none has been more noble or more righteous than this, and from none will we emerge with a greater sense of duty done."

"We are sure we shall prove ourselves not unequal to the task of once more being the champion and liberator of Europe."

Canadians' New Badge

Patches Approved

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Ever since they have been in England, there has been a growing desire among the Canadian troops for a distinguishing mark in their uniforms like that of the Australian and New Zealand troops.

Now, subject to the approval of the Canadian Department of Defence, they will have the patches made famous by Canadians in the last war.

Troops of both the First and Second Divisions will wear patches.

Last War Revival
After considering various alternatives, the Canadian Divisional Commanders decided to revive the red and blue shoulder squares of the last war.

The people of Britain have already become accustomed to the emblem of the vehicles of the First Canadian Division, consisting of a gold maple leaf with a square crimson background.

As it is possible that this will be retained by the Canadian Corps, the Second Division will carry in its vehicles the blue "C" gold maple leaf.

JAPANESE AIR RAIDS CONTINUE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

JAPANESE bombers carried out intensive attacks on a number of cities in Hunan Province yesterday, according to a "Domei" message.

Among the Chinese bases attacked were Chenki, Yunchow and Yuanling.

A Japanese communiqué claims that all the raiders returned to their bases.

Four Chinese vessels were sunk near Patung by aerial bombings, according to the report.

LOSS OF BENZINE

Five Men Charged This Morning

The disappearance of 40 drums of benzine from the premises of Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.S.) Ltd., at Taikoktsui on August 23, resulted in the arrest of five Chinese who were charged before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Leung Shui-hon, 29, clerk, Shum Sze, 22, lorry driver, Lo Yeung, 29, tallyman, and Chan Chi-on, 35, stock clerk, were charged with the larceny of 40 drums of benzine.

Additional Charges
The four defendants and Yee Kung-wing, 43, garage owner, were charged with conspiring to defraud the Company of 40 drums of benzine.

Yee was further charged with receiving the benzine knowing them to have been stolen.

The first, third and fourth defendants were allowed bail of \$500 each, while the second defendant was allowed \$150 and the fifth defendant \$500.

All defendants were remanded for a week. Det.-Sgt. Morrison is in charge of the case.

Chinese Take Up Attack

N. China Offensive

CHUNGKING, Sept. 5 (Reuter).—After five months of careful preparation, Chinese forces in North China have launched a counter-offensive, declares Chow En-lai, the prominent Communist leader, in an interview here.

The Chinese have wrecked five railways and 11 highways for the purpose of preventing the Japanese from diverting troops to the Yangtze Valley for an offensive against Chungking and also obstructing the Japanese attempt to cross the Yellow River to attack Sian, he said.

While admitting the possibility of a Japanese attempt to launch a drive towards Chungking from Ichang, he declares that the Japanese must at least send 150,000 additional troops to the Ichang sector before an attack is possible.

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).

—Britain owed her escape from the fate which had overtaken other opponents of Germany to the exceptional speed of her withdrawal and her fortunate geographical position, said Hitler to-day in a speech inaugurating the Winter Help Campaign.

"The vast territory now dominated by German troops has been still further extended by the Italians who have taken the initiative in East Africa," he continued.

"British propaganda goes from the height to the depth and then to even greater height. Thus England wins numerous so-called victories like Dunkirk, which in our eyes was their most contemptible failure."

Referring to the "peace" conflict in the west in which "the Allies had to learn nothing but defeat," Hitler said: "Now France, too, is broken like the others. What do they say to that?"

"They say that now at last England can concentrate all her forces, now England has attained the strategic position for which she had wished and hoped, and that the ballast of France had only cost valuable British blood."

Five Year War?

"Once they said the war will last three years. We will prepare ourselves for three years, but at that time I said to Goering, 'Prepare everything for five years.'"

"We did not act this way because I believed the war would last five years."

"Come what may, Britain will collapse. I know no other end but this one."

"When the people in Great Britain ask 'Why don't you come?' we shall say, 'Calm yourselves. We shall come.'"

"The world will be set free. Once and for all we must do away with the absurd state of affairs that our nation is in a position at its own sweet will to blockade an entire continent."

He Hates Our Navy

"In future it must be made impossible for a pirate state at its own sweet will, every now and again, to expose over 450,000,000 people more or less to poverty and misery."

"I consider it intolerable that a nation of 85,000,000 should be punished body and soul by another nation whenever it pleases some 'plutocratic authority.'"

After referring to his last "appeal to reason," Hitler said: "I prefer to fight till a definite and final decision is reached."

Prepared For Everything

Hitler continued: "This final decision will be that the rule of pillage and dishonourable wrongs is abolished and a state of affairs introduced in which it will be impossible for one nation to tyrannise over the whole of Europe."

"Germany and Italy will see to it that history never repeats itself in this respect and England's allies will not be able to help her here whatever they may play."

"We are prepared for everything. We have the will and the determination to act at any time."

"Above all, nothing can make us afraid. We German National Socialists have been schooled in the hardest school imaginable. Nothing can intimidate or surprise us."

Hitler proceeded to say that the general revolution in Germany hoped for by England when she entered the war did not take place. Then, England said they had "another ally"—General Hunger.

"We knew in advance that the great friend of humanity, as in the Great War, would attempt to starve women and children and we had prepared ourselves for it. Thus this 'General' was only a bad speculation."

"General Bluff"
"Now they have discovered a third General, namely, General Winter. The British should not forget to raise their most important general to the rank of Field Marshal of the Empire. I mean 'General Bluff.'"

"That is their only reliable ally. They cannot beat us any longer with this 'General.' Therefore, we can perhaps make fools of the British."

"The German people have now got ready to know Great Britain. The British will not win this war by this method and others are, thank God,

Two Irishmen To Die For Murder Of Dublin Official

Special to the "Telegraph"
DUBLIN, Sept. 5 (UP).—The Government of Eire announces that Patrick McGrath and Thomas, alias, Thomas Harle, will be executed by a firing squad on Friday.

They were recently found guilty of the murder of Detective Richard Hyland, who was killed on August 16 during a raid on the I.R.A. arsenal at Rathcar.

U.S. FLEET WILL STAY IN PACIFIC

Special to the "Telegraph"
WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 (Domei).—Britain's pledge never to scuttle or surrender the British Fleet has reinforced the intention of the United States to keep her Fleet in the Pacific.

This opinion was voiced by high administrative circles to-day.

It is agreed in Washington that the question of a British defeat can be only hypothetical.

Mr. Cordell Hull merely addressed his enquiry to London regarding the fate of the British Navy in such a contingency because he wished to ascertain exactly where the United States Navy would stand in the event of a German victory.

So long as the British Fleet is intact, America, it is pointed out, has no need to divide her Fleet between the Pacific and the Atlantic but can concentrate solely in the Pacific.

5,500 Bottles Of Beer Theft

The theft of 5,500 Japanese beer bottles from a fishing junk in Long Two Tan on September 1 has been reported to the Police by Kwok Kan, 22, master of the junk.

Kwok said that about 2 a.m., a large junk went along side his craft and several armed men boarded him. The crew were transferred to a sampan while the armed men transferred the beer bottles to their junk.

Kwok's men were allowed to board their junk later.

In our hands and will remain in our hands and will remain in our hands.

"When the hour has come, we shall place General Fact in place of Generals Hunger, Revolution, Winter or Bluff and then we shall see who is the better man."

"Explains" R.A.F. Raids
Hitler declared that the R.A.F. had bombed Germany at night because they were unable to fly over in daylight. The British dropped bombs indiscriminately on civilian residential quarters, farms and villages.

For three months, he did not reply because he believed they would stop. But Churchill saw in this sign a German "weakness," so the Germans are now giving their answer night after night.

"We shall stop the handwork of these night pirates. The hour will strike when one of us will break and that will not be National Socialist Germany."

"The opponent who still remains to-day, Great Britain, the last island in Europe, will be broken."

Hitler declared that Britain had the Germans "because of our social creed, because all that we plan and carry out seems dangerous to them. I am convinced that the world and the future will cling to this development and that the states which do not join this development will collapse sooner or later."

Hitler, referring to British air raids on Germany, said, "If the British Air Force drops two or three thousand incendiary bombs on us, then we shall now in one night drop 150, 180, 230, 300, 400 thousand kilograms (prolonged cheering). And if they declare that they will intensify their attacks on our cities, we shall blot their cities out."

CHINESE SILVER

French Concession Gives Up Big Sum

Special to the "Telegraph"
TIENTSIN, Sept. 5 (Domei).—Chinese silver to the value of £200,000, held by Chinese banks in the French Concession, is to be handed over to a fund for the relief of destitution in North China.

A joint Franco-Japanese committee has been appointed to dispose of the silver. Decision to hand the Chinese silver over to the committee was taken after negotiations between the Japanese and French authorities.

The silver is held at the Bank of China, Bank of Communications and Joseph Provincial Bank, all of which have their offices in the French Concession.

SUSPICIOUS OF ANGLO-U.S. DEAL
Japanese Comment

Special to the "Telegraph"
TOKYO, Sept. 5 (Domei).—Commenting on the Anglo-American base and destroyer deal, Japanese newspapers warn the country to watch closely the ultimate effects of the transaction in view of its possible effects on the status of the Pacific Ocean.

The "Yomiuri Shimbun" hinted at the possibility of an Anglo-American joint naval front against Japan, while the "Asahi Shimbun" speculated upon the possible situation in case of the British Fleet withdrawing from the home water in the face of a successful Nazi campaign against the British Isles.

AIR MAIL DUE FROM AUSTRALIA, ENGLAND

The arrival and departure of planes are as follows:
From London, Australia and British countries—Imperial Airways service arrives on Friday, September 6.

From U.S.A. via Honolulu and Manila—Pan American—Philippine Clipper, due Sept. 10.

From Chungking—C.N.A.C. and Eurasia Aviation Corporation.
For London, Australia and Bangkok—Imperial Airways leaving on September 5.

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Musical Mass Production

The British Broadcasting Corporation recently started a series of programmes designed to bring music to the factories, with the object of increasing war production. Monotony, of course, militates seriously against the efficiency of the factory worker, and music doubtless would help him.

It is not merely that music diverts his thought from a wearisome routine: it goes, one imagines, rather deeper than that. As Mr. Adrian Stokes once wrote:

Think how the streets spring to life when the bolder kind of barrel-organ grinds its tune! At once the streets become a music scene, the movement of passers-by and of traffic becomes a ballet of a sort. So many things that lay in pieces in the mind and which were projected into the external world as piecemeal, rhythmless... are gathered together, organized and drilled by the music; and so we see the street differently. We see things as new.

It is, perhaps, much the same with the factory: the routine acquires a pattern, and hence a significance that leaves it no longer a meaningless repetition. Naturally, some workers cannot profit by this experiment; for even the thunders of the "1812 Overture" would be lost in the earth-shaking chorus of an iron foundry; but elsewhere employees are certain to be grateful to the B. B. C. for a mill that, to some extent, in its "motion like an angel sings."

Two Fly The Atlantic

Through granting permission to the American Export Airlines to begin transatlantic airplane service in competition with the already operating Pan American lines, the Civil Aeronautics Authority has followed the path of traditional American enterprise.

Pan American opposed the American Export application, stating it was prepared to expand its twice-weekly service to six-day service. But, apparently, after weighing the rival claims, the CAA decided that a little competition might not be a bad thing.

The war has forced many changes in the airways. The reciprocal arrangement between Pan American and Imperial Airways had to be scrapped. Likewise, American Export's long cherished plans to use its vessels at sea as weather-reporting stations must temporarily be set aside. Nor will American Export be able to make fullest use of the superior speed of its new Sikorsky flying boats, designed to save refueling at the Azores.

Both lines will share the traffic now, but some day the war will end and United States lines will have European competition.

HOW AMERICA SEES THE WAR

AMERICAN CARTOONISTS SEE THE WAR IN TERMS OF U.S. UNPREPAREDNESS AND THE MENACE OF NAZI DOMINATION SPREADING ACROSS THE ATLANTIC AS THE SHADOW OF THE MAILED FIST DARKENS EUROPE AND AFRICA. "PLANES FOR THE ALLIES" IS ONE WAY TO HOLD HITLER.



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MR. KNOW-ALL

By ROBERT LYND

A SOLICITOR, defending an old man who was prosecuted the other day for "communicating information regarding munitions," pleaded that his client had spoken "not only without knowledge of facts, but foolishly and possibly in a know-all spirit to impress the man with whom he was conversing."

That, I think, is the explanation of about ninety-nine per cent. of Careless Talk. For every Fifth Columnist, trying to spread defeatism, there are a hundred Mr. Know-alls—it sounds like the name of a character in "The Pilgrim's Progress"—whose chief object in talking is to give other people the impression that they possess inside information.

I do not know why human beings should feel puffed up if they can give the impression that they know more than other people; but undoubtedly many of them do. Hence, if they hear a sensational rumour, they cannot keep it to themselves. They have a natural appetite for rumours, and, having heard one, pass it on in a still falser form, mainly for the pleasure of seeing their fellow human beings pricking up their ears.

After all, everybody wants to be interesting, and what surer way of being interesting is there than by telling a thoroughly sensational story?

This desire to be interesting at all costs is, of course, not a purely war-time disease. It is merely the normal passion for scandal-mongering adapted to war-time conditions. Scandal-mongering is mostly due to vanity—the delight of appearing to be "the Man in the Know" or the "Woman in the Know."

How often has one seen a woman coming into a room with a wild joy on her features and heard her saying excitedly something like: "My dear, have you heard the latest about the Blanks? It's simply incredible. What is happening to the Civil Service?" And, after that, comes a tissue of mingled truth and falsehood so absorbing that no one would dream of interrupting it.

Marshal Petain At Versailles

THE SCENE was a French cafe in Soho on July 14, when the pathetic commemoration of France's national day in London was over. A group of French soldiers were cheering themselves up in their elastic way.

"Just think," said one of them, "of old Petain going to live in the Chateau at Versailles. It's a bit thick!"

"The old man will die of cold when winter comes," said another. "It's awful at Versailles in winter. There's no central heating in the Chateau."

"That's why Laval suggested it to him," said a third. "He's been proclaimed Petain's successor."

A laugh followed this sally; but a train of thought had been started which cast a shadow over many faces in that room. Petain at Versailles! What pictures of tragic absurdity it raised. . . .

Petain, the old Marshal of France, taking charge of her destinies after being worked upon, cajoled and persuaded, with infinite care and infinite patience, by the Nazis, first in Madrid, then (as the decisive hour approached) in Paris itself.

It is no Man of France but a bewildered, senile spirit, first hypnotized, then deceived by self-seeking or alien tricksters,

by many people to be supplying U-boats with petrol.

There is an old saying that you should not believe all you hear. It is a saying that is particularly worth remembering in war-time. If you hear, un-officially and merely through the medium of gossip, that there has been a parachute landing in some distant county in England, treat it as bunkum. Such a story was going about the other day. I asked a man who does happen to possess some inside information: whether there was any truth in the story. "Bunk," he replied; "—pure bunk." And it was.

Rumours, I admit, are occasionally true; but it is absurd to believe a rumour on no other evidence than that of little-tattle. And it is still worse to repeat it on such evidence.

The Father of Lies is the father of most rumours; and he has been authoritatively described as the Enemy of Mankind.

that now proposes to seek refuge among the faded glories of a past regime.

Does the French Hindenburg intend, I wonder, to inhabit alone some corner of Louis XIV's vast palace? He can hardly mean to hold court as a new Roi Soleil of France. If he does, he had better remember that the screaming market-women and hungry crowds of Paris can reach this retreat more quickly now than they could when they stormed its grand staircase 160 years ago.

Will Petain sleep in Louis's room—that first-floor room with three windows in the very centre of the huge structure, overlooking the Marble Court? The windows above it are false, the rooms overhead were walled up in Louis's day, for none might lie above the King.

As he makes his way to the royal chapel (assuming that he will now attend Mass there) will Petain pause in the Hall of Mirrors to look up at the paintings by Lebrun—another Lebrun, not the one he has deposed—showing Louis's victories over Germany, Holland and Spain? Will he pause at the spot where Clemenceau sat to preside over the fateful Peace Conference of 1919, which ended, here in this hall, with the signing of the Versailles Treaty?

Above all, will he remember now in the days of Louis XIV, the Hall of Mirrors was not only the meeting-place of a brilliant Court but a place of public audience where the humblest of Louis's subjects had the right to wait for and intercept the King on his way to Council and ask his mercy or his aid?

Or will he stand sometimes in the central hall of the Grand Trianon, near by, remembering how, in this very room, his predecessor, Marshal Bazaine, was tried and found guilty of treason for surrendering the fortress of Metz to the Prussians in 1870?

Perhaps, on the whole, the old Marshal had better avoid these splendours and content himself with a little villa in the pleasant wooded outskirts of Versailles. There, at least, he will be able to take his morning constitutional in the Bois de Fausses Reposes—"the Wood of False Rest"—that lies so conveniently at hand.

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SERIOUS DISORDERS IN TRANSYLVANIA

BUCHAREST, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—It is now revealed that last night's disorders, following which M. Gurgutu's Cabinet resigned, were far more serious than at first supposed.

News from the provinces shows that resistance to the Vienna award is far from dead in Transylvania, where shooting is reported to have occurred at several places yesterday.

The Italian Consulate at Cluj is reported to be completely wrecked by demonstrators, and the Consul's life was saved through the intervention of the police.

Violent Demonstrations

There were also violent demonstrations outside the Italian Consulate at Timisoara, which is also stated to have been destroyed. The Consul was man-handled.

There were similar incidents at Oradea.

An Iron Guard leader boldly admitted to-day that his organization has "re-emerged on revolutionary activities as from September 1."

Last night's unsuccessful attempt to seize key points in Bucharest is evidently part of these activities.

Raiders Need Protection

Nazis Up Against It

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—There have been some changes in dispositions during the last fortnight to meet the intensification of enemy onslaught but the first line fighter defence over the south-east coast remains as tough and as unrelenting as ever it was.

This is illustrated by the sharp increase during the past week in the number of escort fighters. The Germans have had to send over to get any of their day bombers through to their objectives.

The proportion of Messerschmitts to Dorniers reached five to one. It is reported that the first large force of enemy raiders to-day were detected leaving the French coast. British fighters went to meet them and a fight occurred well out at sea.

Knox Defends Anglo-American Deal Lavish Expenditure On New U.S. Bases

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the U.S. Navy, told Pressmen to-day that \$25,000,000 will be spent immediately to prepare the air and naval base sites leased from Britain.

He added: "There will be a lot of noise over the transaction. There will be the appearance of the huge opposition which we had over the draft bill (recruiting bill in the last war) but Congress knows where public opinion is."

SOVIET-HUNGARY TRADE PACT

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—It is announced in Moscow that a Soviet-Hungarian trade pact has been signed, providing a turnover of near £1,000,000 in the first year on either side.

Soviet Russia will import from Hungary railway parts, oil pipes and the like while Hungary will take timber, cotton, manganese and chrome ores.

Japan Withdraws From Rotary International

TOKYO, Sept. 4 (UPI).—The Joint Committee of the Japan and Manchukuo Rotary Club has decided to dissolve all the 47 local chapters and to withdraw from the Rotary International.

Germany Furious

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Anglo-American Agreement is proof of the shrinkage of Britain's power to dominate the seas, declares the German Foreign Office publication, "Diplomatische Korrespondenz."

This publication says that Britain has effected a very strange exchange with the United States.

The reason lies in the fact that contrary to statements of "few British naval losses," means for preserving British domination of the seas have very seriously shrunk.

"Fifty destroyers many years old—this is underlined by the Americans—are so vitally necessary that Britain has declared herself ready to rede on lease to the U.S.A. the most important strategic points in the Western Hemisphere for 99 years—which means for ever."

"Britain's need, therefore, has self-confessedly risen to immeasurable proportions, since in return for the over-age destroyers, Britain offers vastly superior concrete and permanent articles of value."

"Apart from these are the guarantees regarding the future of the British Fleet which, whatever may happen, will be preserved for the Dominions. That is to say, for Canada. "Without having even been asked for basic concessions in the matter of war debts from America for such a kind-hearted gift, Britain is well on the way to being sold up."

The Hongkong Y.M.C. Club will meet at St. Francis Hotel this evening at 7.30 p.m., and will be addressed by Mr. K. S. Fung, who has just returned from a trip to the United States.

THE NAVY, SIR, SALUTES YOU!



Here is a delightful study of a little Hongkong girl, now "somewhere in England", who gives a smart quarter deck salute as she dons her "uncle's" tunic, which reaches almost to her feet, and plants the hat on her head at the approved rakish angle.

More Officers Needed For Big British Army

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Owing to the constant expansion of the Army, which is now 1,500,000 strong (excluding the Home Guard numbering some 1,300,000) and which will become 2,000,000 strong in the coming winter, the War Office has announced a new scheme to help obtain the large numbers of young officers required with scientific and mathematical qualifications for the Engineers, Artillery and Signals.

The scheme is open to 1,200 young men every six months, aged 18, who will be trained at selected universities at Government expense. After passing examinations, the candidates will serve three or four months in the ranks, then will have six months at a university before joining the Officer Cadet Training Unit.

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The Dominion Office announces that a further contingent of Newfoundland Royal Artillerymen arrived in England this morning.

Canadian Pilot's Dare-Devilry

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—The dare-devilry of a Canadian pilot in a recent raid on Germany is revealed to-day.

Other pilots in the raid knew that he would be in the thick of things. He was. They found him hovering about below them, dropping flares all over the target. This made it possible for them to score direct hits.

Crossword Puzzle

By LAIS MORRIS

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BARRAGE BEATS NAZI PLANES:

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comprise 20 bombers and fighters and were quickly dispersed.

Raid On Kent
Only two small formations of about 200 enemy aircraft managed to pierce the defences on the coast of Kent where a raid was made shortly after mid-day.

The raiders were met by anti-aircraft gunfire and fighters, and most of them were driven back over the coast.

Of those that pierced the defences one flew inland and dropped bombs on industrial premises, causing some damage and a number of casualties, some of which were fatal.

Another formation passed over Kent to the Thames estuary and dropped bombs on a Medway town. Some houses were damaged. There were a few casualties but no fatalities were reported.

Elsewhere in the south-east, bombs were dropped in a few scattered areas. Damage was caused to a number of shops and dwelling houses.

Terrific Barrage
From the northern heights, a terrific anti-aircraft barrage was sent to the southward and eastward, and searchlights were unceasingly active. The sky was speckled with flashes of bursting shells.

A number of flares were seen floating slowly to earth.

The Air Ministry communique announcing the destruction of 46 enemy planes to-day adds that eleven of our aircraft were lost but the pilots of five of these are safe.

Another air raid whirling was sounded in the London area at 8.03 p.m. G.M.T.

Reports up to 7 p.m. showed that 45 enemy planes, of which 33 were bombers or fighter-bombers, had been destroyed by our fighters.

Wall Of Flame
LONDON, Sept. 4. (Reuter).—The "All Clear" was sounded at 10.42 p.m. G.M.T.

A wall of flame flung up by countless anti-aircraft guns barred the German raiders which appeared over the London area a few hours after Hitler had threatened reprisals for the devastating R.A.F. raids on military objectives in Berlin.

Never before during night raids has the sky been lit up by such a tremendous barrage as that which the London defences put up to-night.

In an area well over 100 searchlights ceaselessly wave their way about the sky, building a veritable wall of light around the area, while among them was an almost unintermitted spurt of bursting anti-aircraft shells.

The raiders themselves added to the fire-worklike display by dropping dozens of parachute flares varying in colour between white, red, blue and green.

One bright flare gave the impression that it might be a burning barrage balloon.

Bombs were reported to have been dropped in the south-eastern area but no details are yet to hand.

WALL OF FLAME

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terres and searchlights lit the Channel like day.

Sometime after one particularly heavy explosion across the Channel, the strong fumes of burning oil could be smelt in England—apparently from a German oil depot exploded by the R.A.F.

In the course of one raid on England, German raiders heading back to the coast jettisoned their bombs in a straight line across the countryside, blasting an area five or six miles in width.

Seven high explosive bombs fell in the suburbs of a south-east town, killing some children and injuring a mother and her two children.

Raid on Germany
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
BERLIN, Sept. 5 (UP).—British planes on Wednesday night attacked Bad and Kissingen, in central Germany.

A Berne report states that the air raid alarm was sounded at 11.50 p.m. The "All Clear" was given at 12.20 a.m.

RUSSIA CALLS UP MEN

Moscow, Sept. 4.
More men are called to the colours by a decree summoning the whole 1920 class, most of the 1921 class, and all of the 1922 class who have had 10 years' schooling. Men in older classes previously exempt have also been called up.—Reuter.

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REPORTS CONFLICT

Speculation Rife On Indo-China

Saigon, Sept. 4.

Tension, following the rejection of Japanese demands for permission to send troops through Indo-China, is rife throughout the Colony. Owing to the strictest censorship it is impossible to discover for certain what is happening or what the immediate future holds in store.

It would appear, however, that the die has not yet been cast for, despite the open rejection of Japan's demands, negotiations between the Japanese and Indo-China authorities continue—in an outwardly friendly and rational manner.

Major-General Nishihara, head of the Japanese Inspectorate in Indo-China, remains on Indo-China soil.—Reuter.

Optimism In Tokyo

Reiterating that he had not been informed of the alleged revolt in Indo-China, Mr. Takichiro Suma, the Foreign Office spokesman to-day, expressed the hope that everything was "quiet and well-managed" in the French Colony despite rumours to the contrary.

"We hope that matters will be smoothed out in a few days' time," the spokesman said. Questioned regarding the negotiations with the Petain Government, the spokesman disclosed that they were "progressing" though the final stage has not yet been reached.—Domei.

Parleys In Progress

Hanoi, Sept. 4.
General Nishihara and Admiral Decoux are still holding conferences and peaceful settlement is expected shortly. French military leave has been cancelled. A Japanese destroyer and steamer are stationed at Haiphong, allegedly for the purpose of picking up the Japanese inspectors in the event of an emergency.

The censorship is apparently being relaxed.

The reference to the peaceful settlement is regarded as an indication of an agreement whereby the French will submit to the Japanese demands for the passage of troops.—United

Pearl River Indicator

Shanghai, Sept. 4.
Unrest over the situation in Indo-China has been heightened by the action of the Japanese in again closing the Pearl River.

Messages from Chungking indicate that Chinese forces are concentrated on the frontiers of Indo-China, ready to go into action at a moment's notice.

According to Chinese reports from Indo-China the people there are organising petitions for a firm stand against Japan.—Reuter.

LATE NEWS

Seven More Cases Of Cholera

All From Kowloon

Seven more cholera cases were reported yesterday. These have now been 80 cases recorded in the colony in little more than a fortnight.

All the new cases came from Kowloon. There were no further reports from the New Territories, the island or the harbour.

Antonescu Declines

BUCHAREST, Sept. 4 (Domei).—Romania's most serious political crisis in recent years is envisaged as General Ion Antonescu, former War Minister, is reported to have declined King Carol's offer of Premiership.

General Antonescu was ordered by the King last night to form a new Cabinet in succession to M. Ion Gligu.

There is increasing demand for King Carol's abdication in favour of Crown Prince Mihai.

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In Final Victory

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, said to-day that the first year of war was one of changing fortunes, but we have ended it with a clear conception of our duty, full realisation of the sacrifices required for victory and full of determination to go right through with the job.

In a cable to Mr. Churchill, Mr. Menzies said that Australia is confident of the success of the Mother country.

He paid tribute to Mr. Churchill's inspiring and courageous leadership, backed by the confidence and steady temper of the people of Britain.

"We are ready to do all, dare all and spend all on the success of our cause," he concluded. "We are with you."

Premier Lauds Defence Work

Civilians Commended

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill has sent a message to Britain's defences stressing the value of their work, courage and ability of their members.

These men and women, he said in his message, can feel proud of the great service they are doing and the contribution which they are making in defence of our native land.

The Secretary of State for War has sent congratulatory messages to the Army, Anti-aircraft Command and the Home Guard.

Their Majesties Visit Pressmen

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Their Majesties the King and Queen to-day visited the Ministry of Information where they were received by Mr. A. Duff-Cooper.

They showed great interest in the Press room of the new division, where journalists from all over the world were at work.

As they entered, the Chairman of the Press Committee said to the King: "May I introduce you, Sir, to the representatives of the Free Press of the world?"

Their Majesties also saw the censorship department and the film, theatre and photographs division.

Mussolini Pays Visit To Boulogne Victims

LONDON, Sept. 4 (Reuter).—Mussolini flew to Boulogne to-day to visit victims of the recent explosion. It is officially stated in Rome that 38 persons were killed and 174 injured.

The population of Tokyo on December 31 last was 6,577,400, according to official figures received through "Domei". Males exceed females by 105,505. There were 61,245 deaths and 115,983 births.

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